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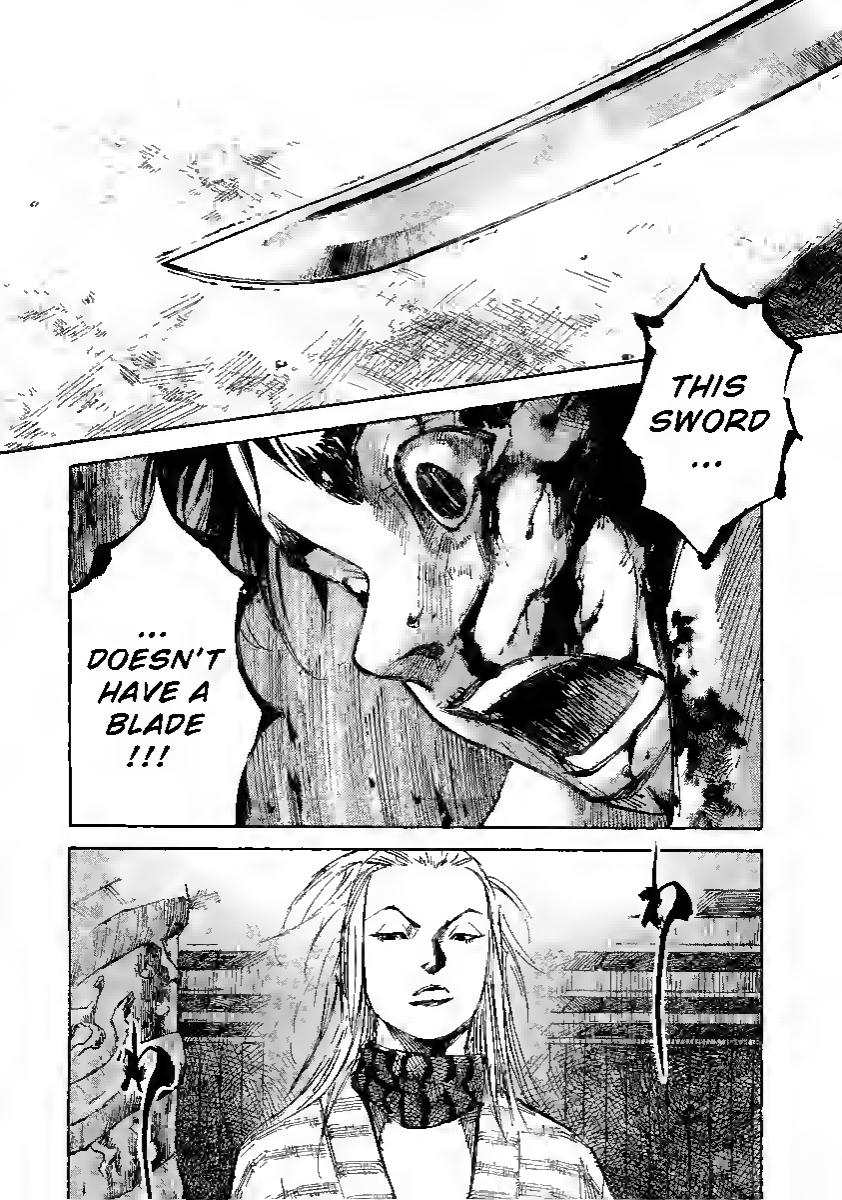

THIS SWORD ...
... DOESN'T HAVE A BLADE !!!

THIS IS HOW THEY PLAY THIS GAME!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
COWARDS!

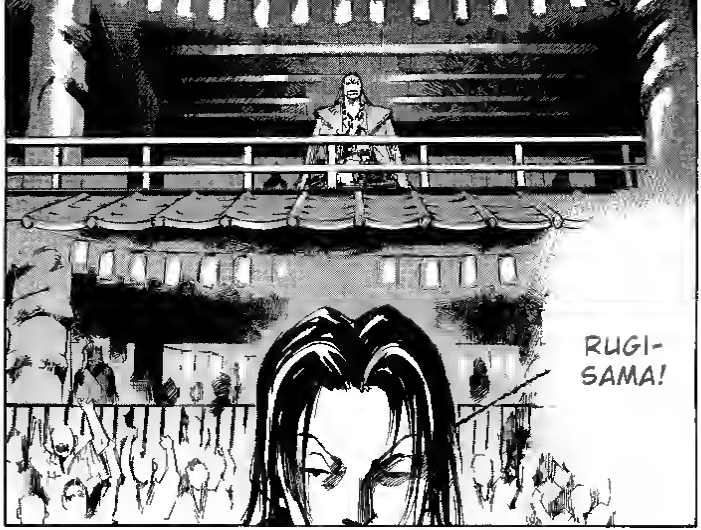
KUKU

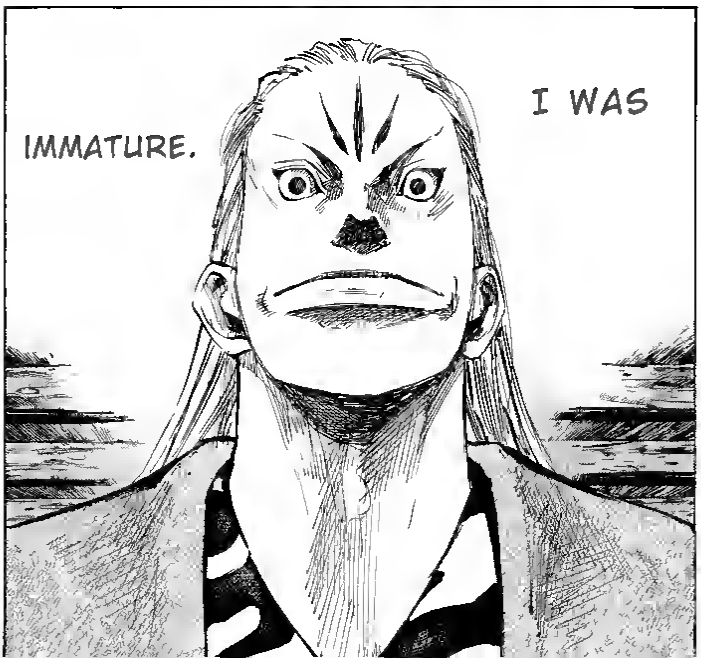
*PURIFICATION OF THE HEART

BUT YOU DID TOUCH ME WITH THAT FILTHY SWORD...
THAT IS UNFOR-GIVABLE!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!

OH ...
HIS OPPONENT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A REAL SWORD.
THEN HE CAN'T POSSIBLY LOSE.
THAT'S NOT EXACTLY TRUE.
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
EVEN IF HIS OPPONENT DID HAVE A REAL SWORD ...

THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN BYAKUSHIN-KYO* WILL NEVER LOSE.
*NAME OF CULT/FAITH
THIS IS NO FUN
WHY DON'T YOU BRING ME SOME SAKE?


RUGI-
SAMA!

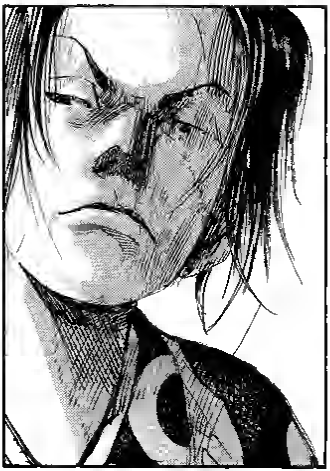

I WAS
IMMATURE.

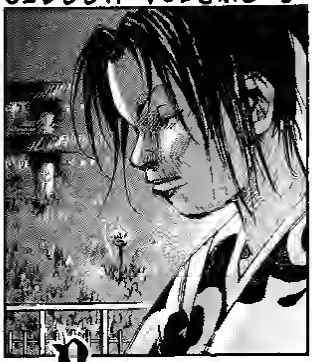
DESTROY!

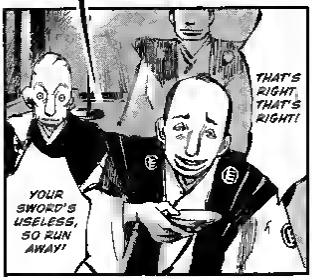
KYE
EEE
EEE
!!!

YEA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAH!

HAA
HAA
HAA

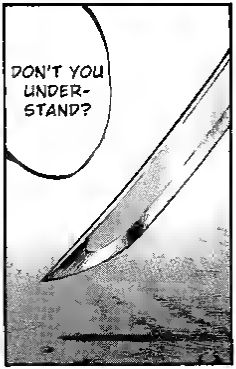





THAT'S RIGHT, THAT'S RIGHT!
YOUR SWORD'S USELESS, SO RUN AWAY!

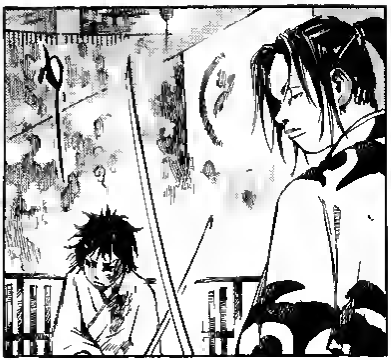
YOU'VE GIVEN ME A SWORD WITHOUT A BLADE,
AND YOU CALL THIS A DEATH MATCH?

THIS IS NOT A DEATH MATCH, IT'S "SHUKUSHIN"!


DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND?

GUDAN!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!
MURDERER!
KILL HIM !!!

GUDAN!
GUDAN!
DEATH TO THE SCUM!
KILL!
KILL!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!



WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING?

THAT BASTARD!
KYOZO ...
YOU'RE IN ENEMY TERRITORY WITH A USELESS SWORD...
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S OVER. DON'T FUCKING GIVE UP!

YOU CAN WIN THIS. JUST USE YOUR HEAD.

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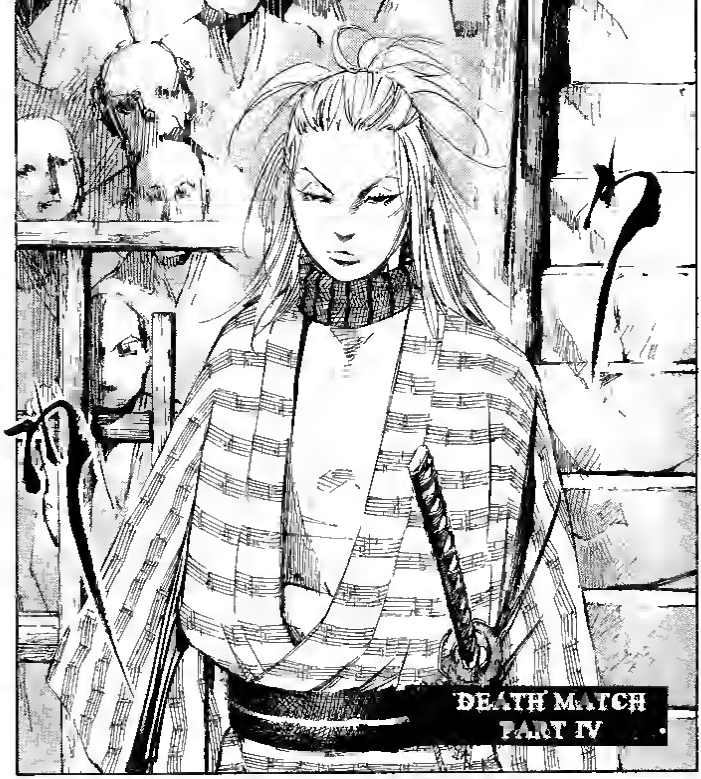

DEATH MATCH
PART IV

WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT...?

WHY SHOULD I BELIEVE YOU!?

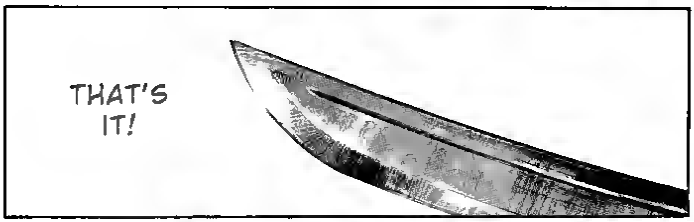
DON'T BE SO ANGRY!
THERE IS A WAY FOR YOU TO WIN!
YOU SHOULDN'T BELIEVE HIM!
THAT'S RIGHT!
SHUT UP!
IF YOU GO ON LIKE THIS, YOU'RE GONNA GET KILLED ANYWAY.
WHY DON'T YOU TRY STEALING HIS SWORD?

ASAJI IS THE BEST IN THE GANG!
BUA HAH AHA HAH AHA!
THERE'S NO WAY THAT WOULD HAPPEN!
YOUR SWORD CAN'T CUT, BUT IT CAN STILL BE USED AS A WEAPON!
REMEMBER WHAT I TOLD YOU EARLIER!

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS IMMO-BILIZE HIM.
DON'T BUTT IN . .

WHAT HE TAUGHT ME BEFORE ...?
THIS IS THE CEREMONY OF THE SHUKUSHIN
COULD YOU STEP DOWN?
YOU RE DISTURB-ING US
OH, EXCUSE ME,
SON.

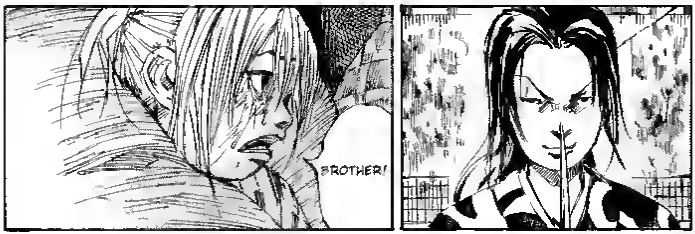
HOW DO I
... IMMOBILIZE HIM?
KILL!
GUDAN!
KILL HIM, ASAJI!
GUDAN!
GUDAN!

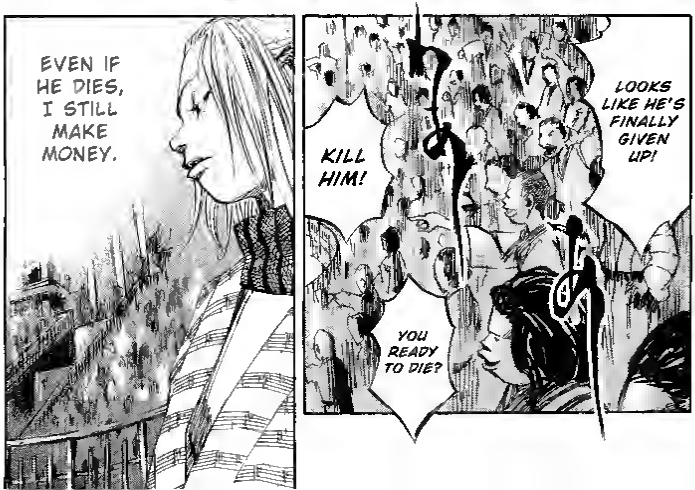

THAT'S IT!

THIS IS HOW I CAN STOP HIM!

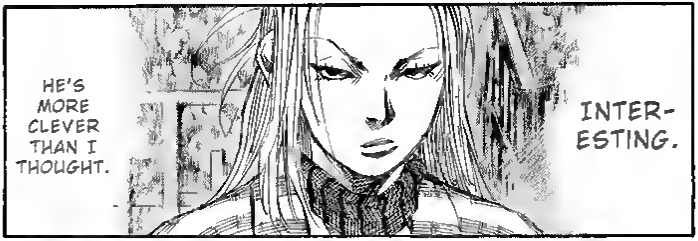
SURPRISE HIM.
I'VE ALREADY SPENT TOO MUCH TIME ON YOU.
THIS IS A CERE-MONY
...IS THE END!
THIS ...
I HAVE TO CATCH HIM OFF GUARD.
DIE!

WAIT!


BROTHER!

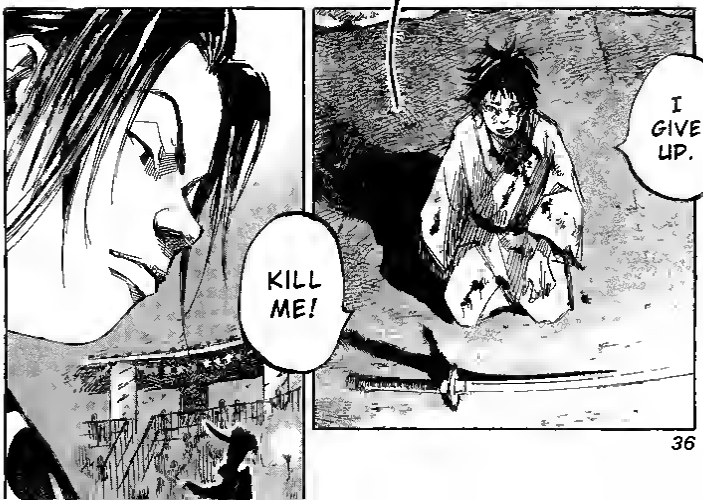

EVEN IF HE DIES, I STILL MAKE MONEY.
KILL HIM!
LOOKS LIKE HE'S FINALLY GIVEN UP!
YOU READY TO DIE?

HRM.


HE'S MORE CLEVER THAN I THOUGHT.
INTER-ESTING.

YOU'VE FINALLY REALIZED
THAT YOU'RE A USELESS FOOL.

ASAJI-KUN!
YOU'RE TOO STRONG.
I'M NO MATCH FOR YOU.


I GIVE UP.
KILL ME!

IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT...
...I'LL KILL YOU WITHOUT PAIN.
IF ASAJI IS STUPID, HE'LL MOVE AS YOU PREDICTED.
COME ON NOW... FROM ABOVE.
YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL.

YES!
KIE AAA AAA AAA AAA AAA AAA AAA AAA !!!

UGH!

KUA
AAH!

RYA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
!!!

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KIE
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
AAA
!!!
DEATH MATCH
PART V

WOW.
UAAH!
OOH!

NO!
BHA
AAA
RGH
!!!

AAAAAAAAA!

GUA
AAH!

BROTHER!
WHAT?
ASAJI
HOW COULD ...?
MUHAHA!

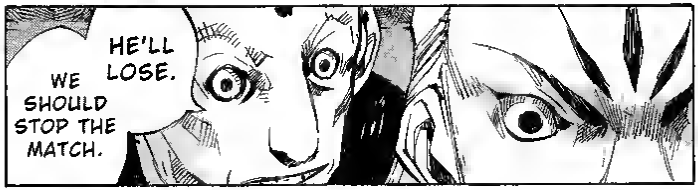
HAH
HAH
HAH

AH
...
AH!
HAH
HAH
HAH

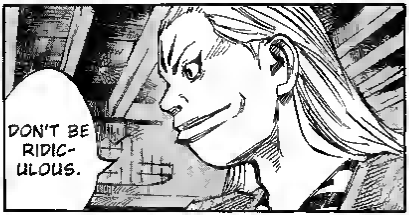
I CAN'T
DIE YET
...

WHY WOULD I EVER GIVE UP?
YOU WON!
YOU WON, BROTHER!
HE ... DID IT!

RUGI-SAMA!


WE SHOULD STOP THE MATCH.
HE'LL LOSE.

KILL HIM!

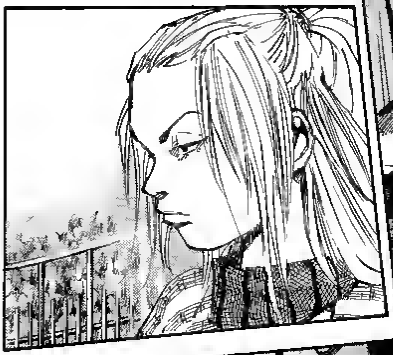

DON'T BE RIDIC-ULOUS.

WE'RE IN THE MIDST OF A CERE-MONY.
BY THE WAY, WHO IS THAT KID?

HE'S THE YOUNGER BROTHER.

I'M PREPARED FOR THIS.
AND THIS REPEATS INDEFINITELY.
IF I KILL HIM, ANOTHER ONE WILL BE AFTER ME.

I'M A
SAMURAI
!!!



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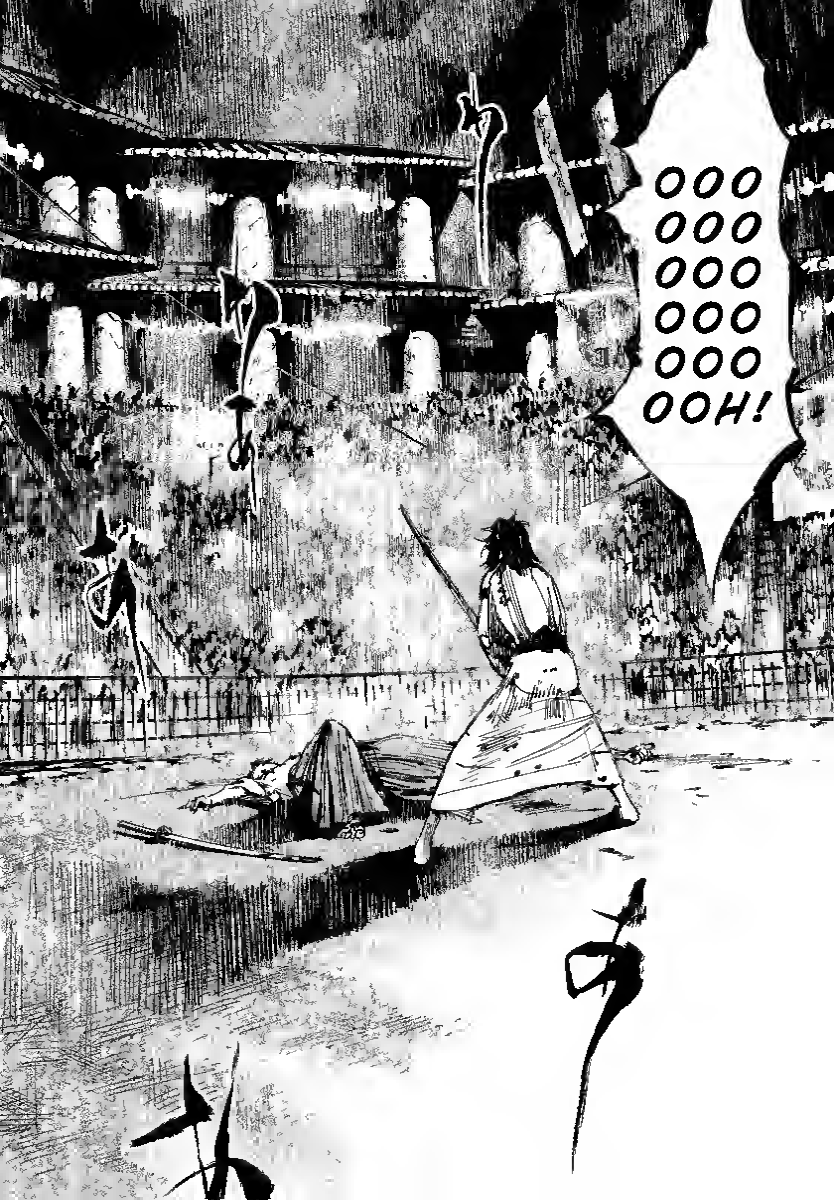
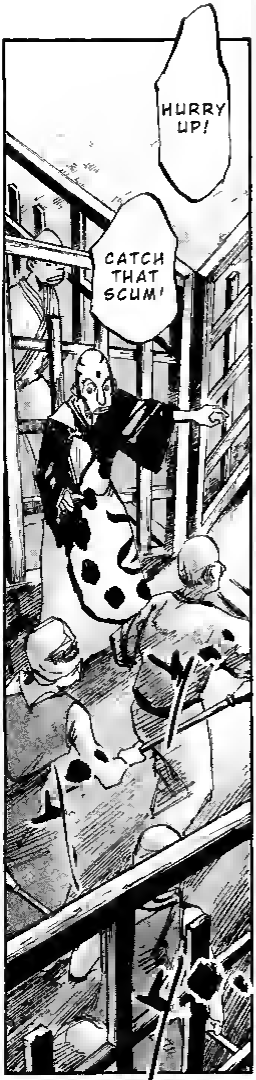

OOO
OOO
OOO
OOO
OOO
OOH!

WOW.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN AN UNDERDOG WIN

THAT WAS UNEXPECTED.

DON'T CRY.

THIS IS A DEATH MATCH!



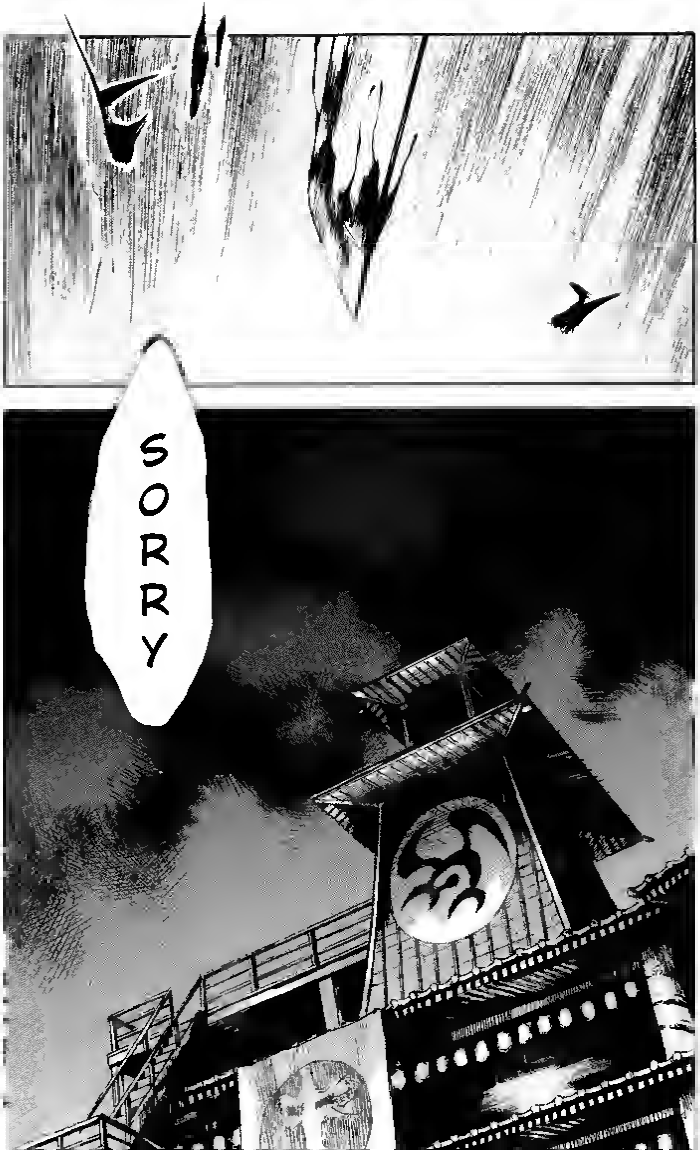
I'M GOING TO TAKE YOUR LIFE!

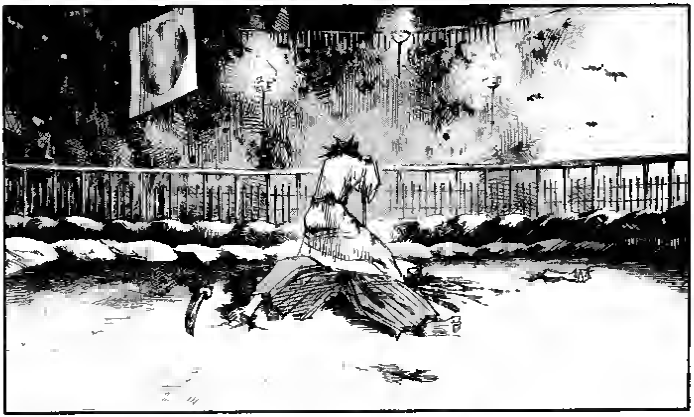
OH OH!
WONDERFUL! WONDERFUL!
EVERY-ONE'S BEWIL-DERED!
HYA, HYA, HYA!
TURNED OUT TO BE INTER-ESTING
THIS INDEED

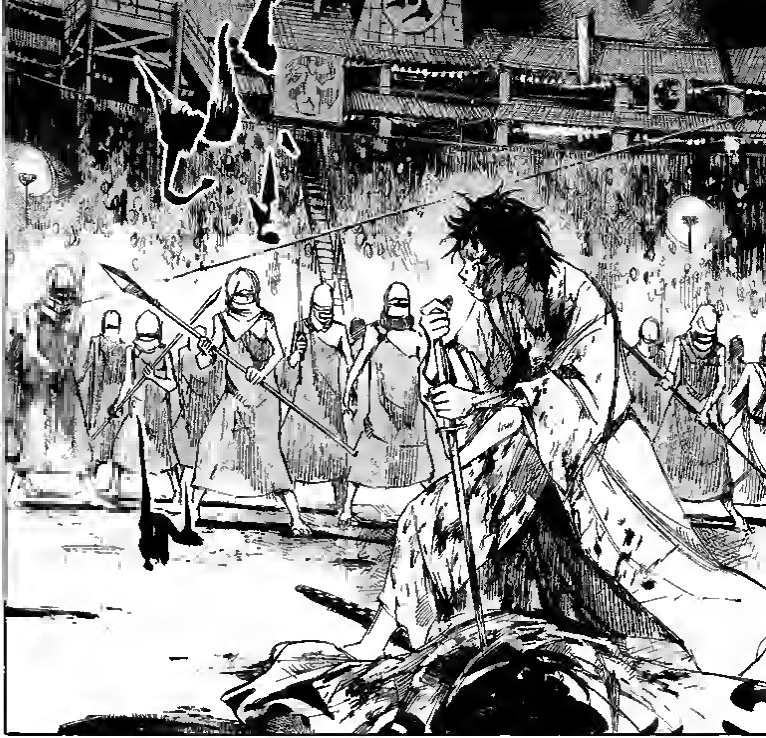
ASAJI WILL BE KILLED!
KILLED BY THIS FOOL!
DAMNIT, HE WASN'T READY FOR THIS YET!
HE WAS TOO YOUNG FOR THE CEREMONY!

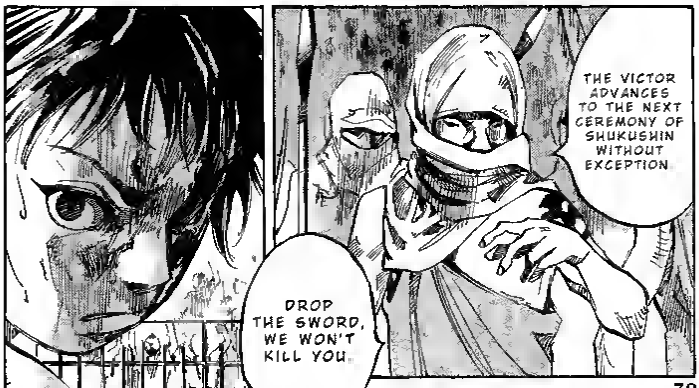
BROTHER! THEY'RE COMING!
FINISH HIM!

THIS
IS
THE
END!

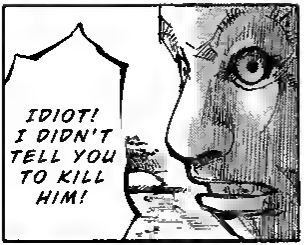

SORRY

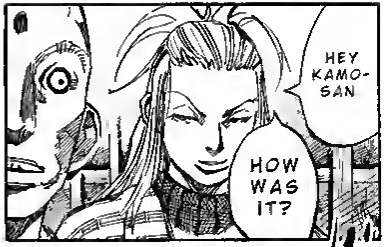




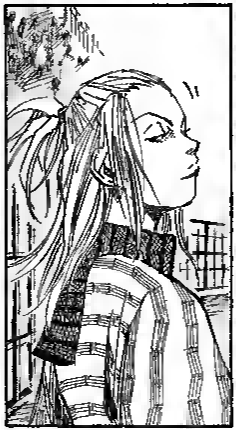

THE VICTOR ADVANCES TO THE NEXT CEREMONY OF SHUKUSHIN WITHOUT EXCEPTION.
DROP THE SWORD, WE WON'T KILL YOU.

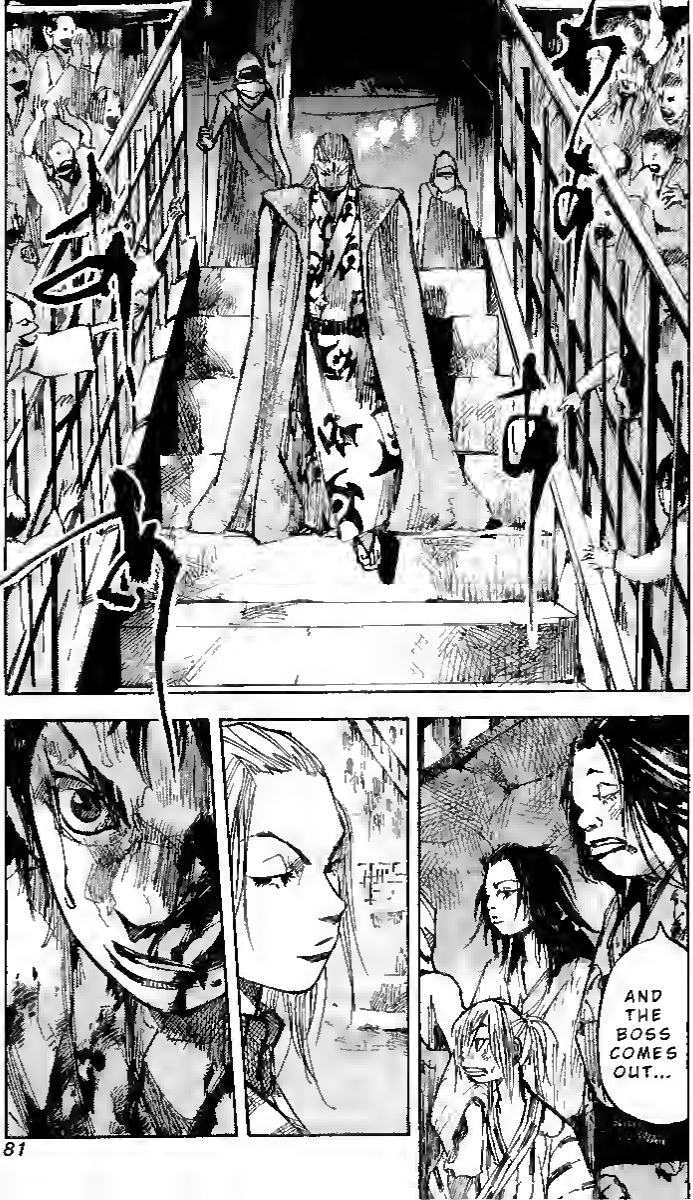
FUCK OFF!
I WON'T BE FOOLED AGAIN !!
I'M LEAVING WITH MY BROTHER!
GET OUT OF MY WAY!


IDIOT! I DIDN'T TELL YOU TO KILL HIM!


HEY KAMO-SAN
HOW WAS IT?

HEY!
LOOK AT THAT!




AND THE BOSS COMES OUT...

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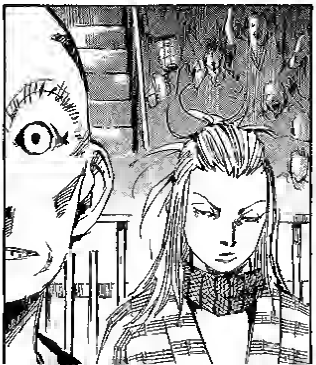

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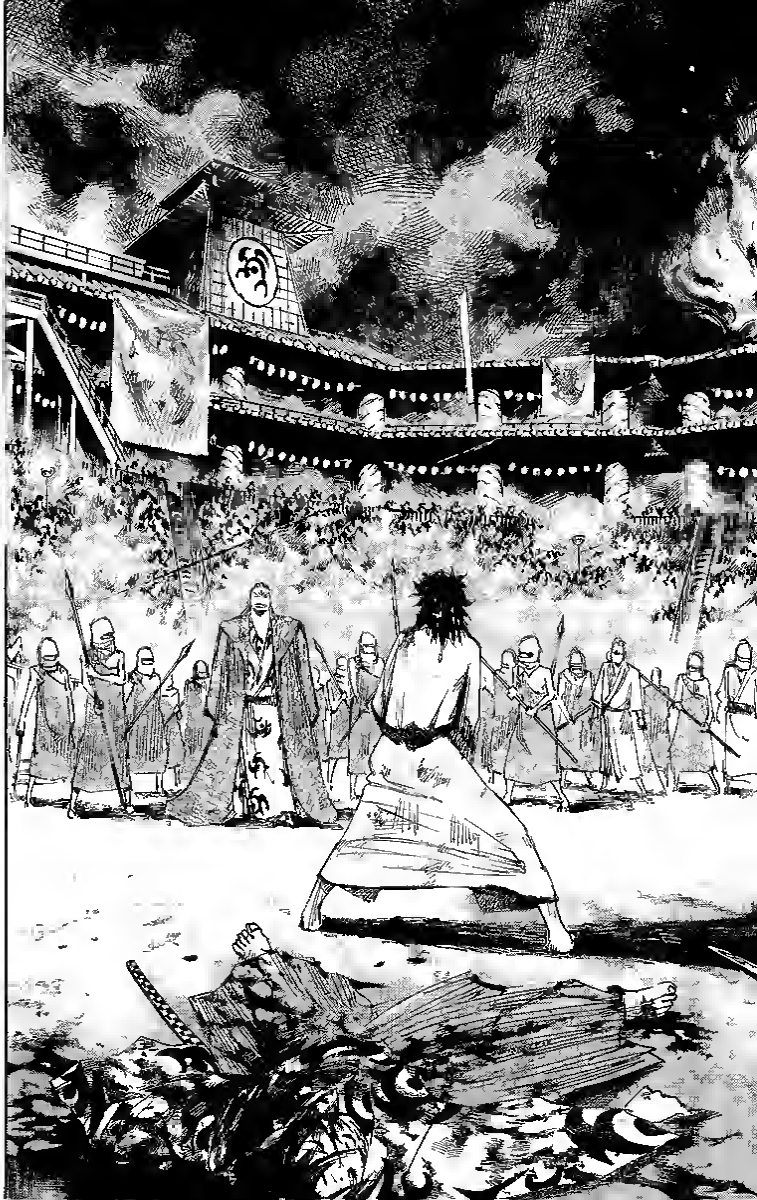
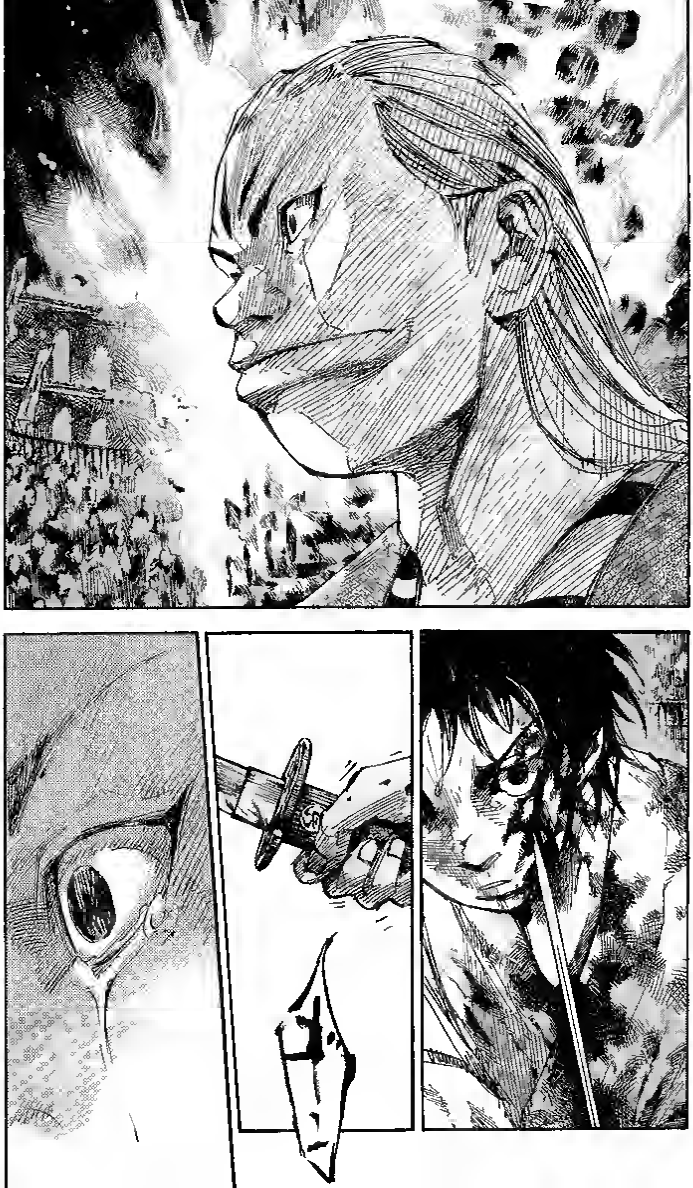
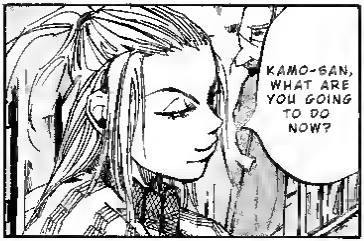


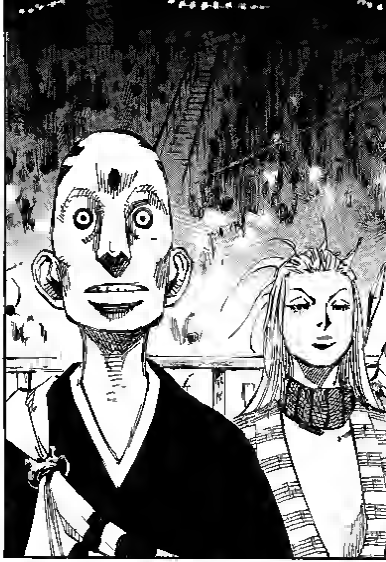


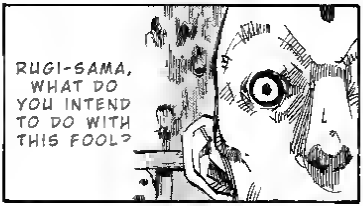
YOU'RE NOT A FOOL ANYMORE.
BY COMPLETING SHUKUSHIN, YOU'VE BECOME MY CHILD!
I WAS IMPRESSED BY YOUR MAGNIFICENT FIGHT.

I'LL GIVE YOU A WHOLE NEW LIFE!

LIFE ...?
LIFE WITHIN THIS CULT.
UNDER THE FAITH OF BYAKUSHIN, ANY OF YOUR WISHES WILL BE GRANTED.


KAMO-SAN, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?




RUGI-SAMA, WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO WITH THIS FOOL?

YOU COULDN'T HAVE ASKED FOR MORE!

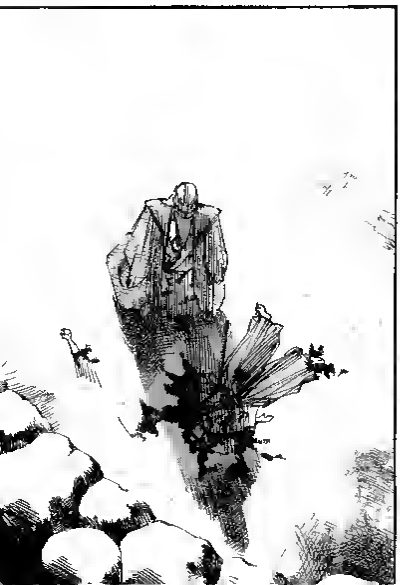
IF THAT'S SO,
FIRST, MY BROTHER ...
RELEASE GEN.
VERY WELL.
RELEASE HIS BROTHER.

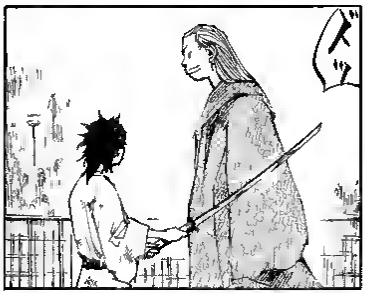
GO.

BROTHER!
DAMN YOU!

WE'LL BECOME SAMURAIS
NO ONE'S GOING TO CHANGE THAT.

HMM.

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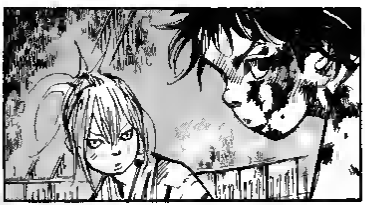

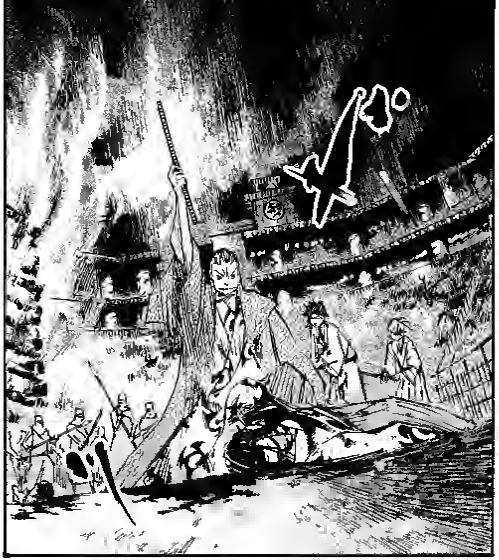
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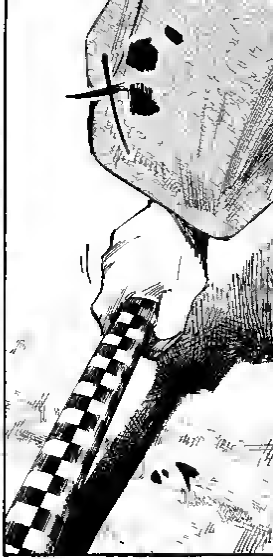
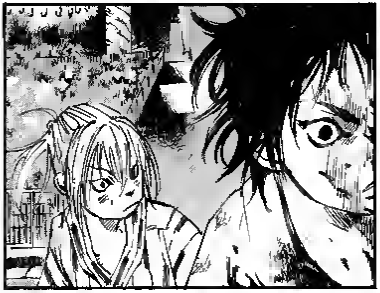
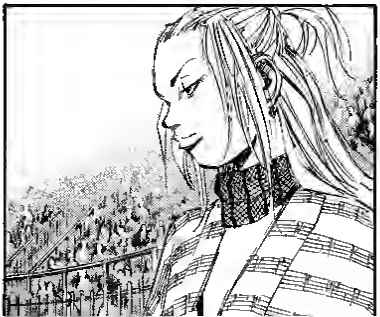
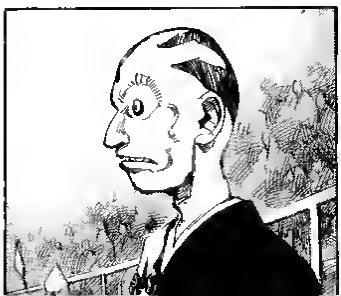





PEOPLE!
I'LL GIVE THE SWORD OF SHUKUSHIN TO THESE TWO YOUNG MEN.



GIVE PRAISE!
WHAT A SHOW OFF.
BUT HE SURE KNOWS HOW TO STAY ON TOP
HEY!
RUGI-SAMA HAS FOR-GIVEN THIS FOOL!
BYAKUSHIN!
BYAKUSHIN!

BYAKUSHIN!
BYAKUSHIN!
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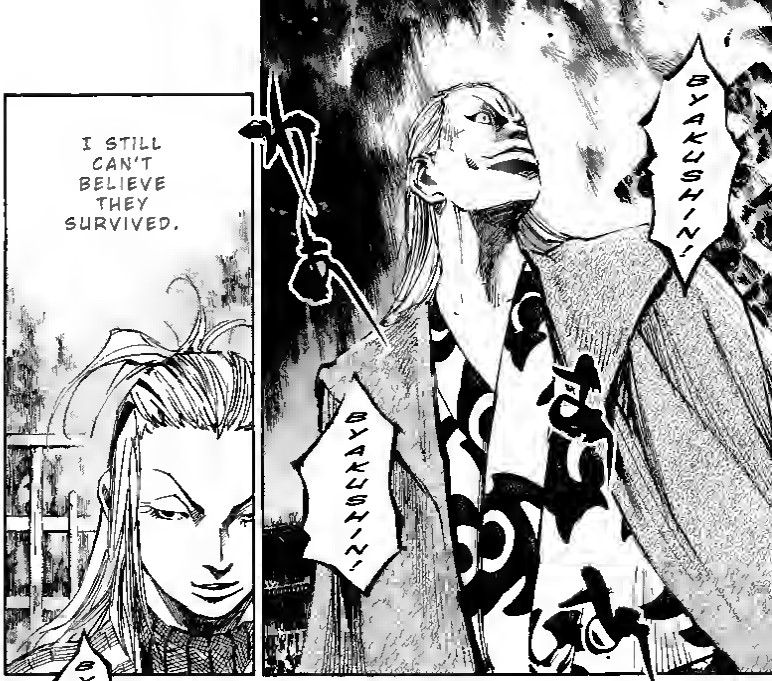
BYAKUSHIN!


BYAKUSHIN!
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE THEY SURVIVED.
BYAKUSHIN!
BYAKUSHIN!

BYAKUSHIN!
BYAKUSHIN!

HE MUST BE INCREDIBLY LUCKY.

BROTHER!
YOU AL-RIGHT?
GEN.
WE'RE STILL ALIVE!

WE'RE ALIVE!

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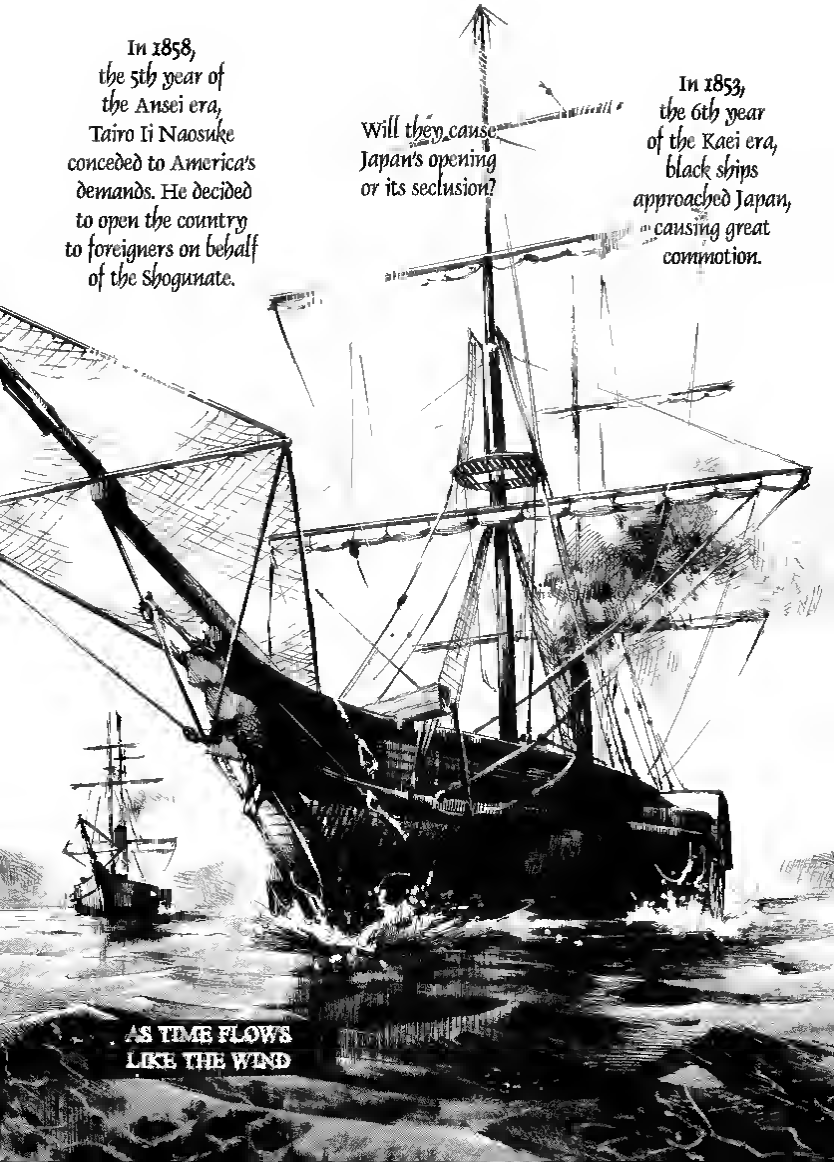
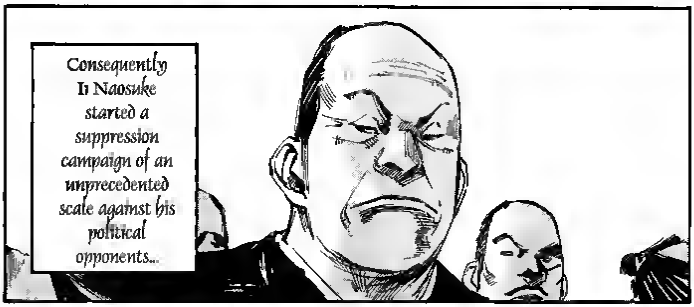
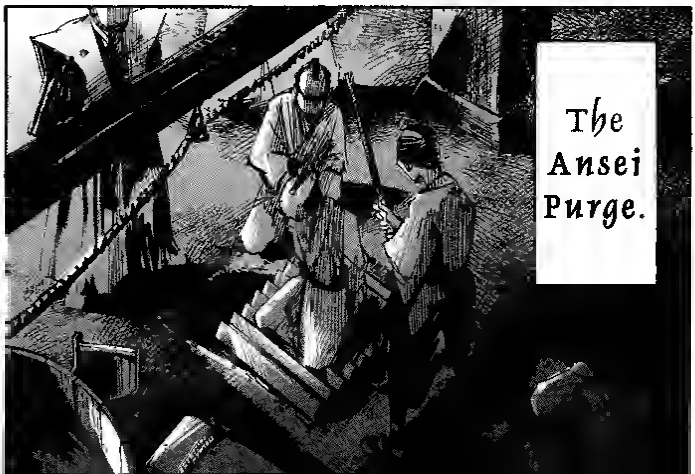

In 1858,
the 5th year of
the Ansei era,
Tairo Ii Naosuke
conceded to America's
demands. He decided
to open the country
to foreigners on behalf
of the Shogunate.
Will they cause
Japan's opening
or its seclusion?
In 1853,
the 6th year
of the Kaei era,
black ships
approached Japan,
causing great
commotion.
AS TIME FLOWS
LIKE THE WIND

His actions aroused extreme discontent among Emperor Komei and the reformist Hitotsubashi faction, who committed themselves to the slogan "revere the emperor, expel the barbarians."

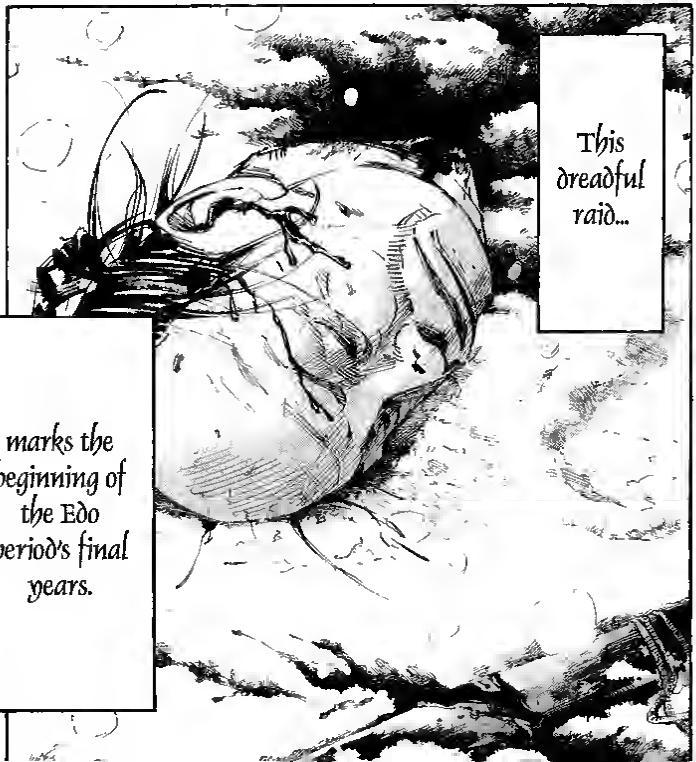

Consequently Ii Naosuke started a suppression campaign of an unprecedented scale against his political opponents...

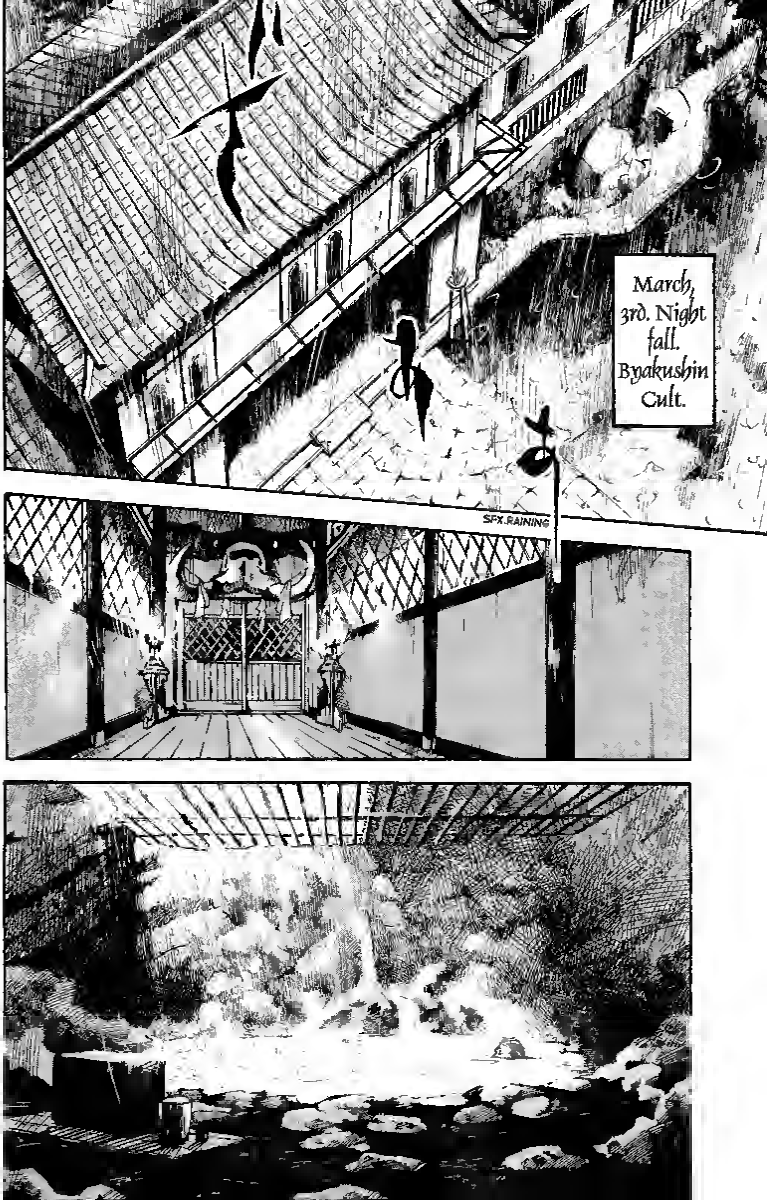

The Ansei Purge.

In 1860,
the 7th year of the
Ansei era, with the
will and resistance
of these rebellious
factions worn out,
his opponents plotted the
assassination of
Tairo Ii Naosuke –
the Shogunate's
highest authority.
March, 3rd. Edo
covered in snow.

The Sakurada-Mon incident.

LEADER LI...
HAS BEEN KILLED!


This dreadful raid...
marks the beginning of the Edo period's final years.


March, 3rd. Night fall. Byakushin Cult.
SFX.RAINING

SFX SLIDE

IT SEEMS TAIRO I! HAS BEEN ASSASSI-NATED BY A GROUP OF RONIN FROM MITO.

THOUGH THE SHOGUNATE HASN'T ANNOUNCED IT YET,

SFX BUBBLE

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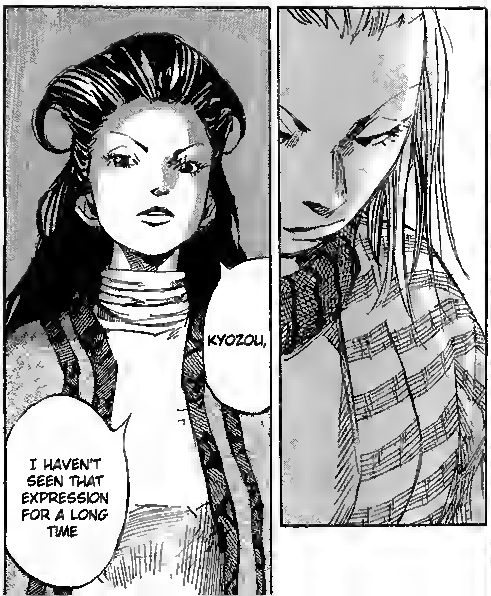
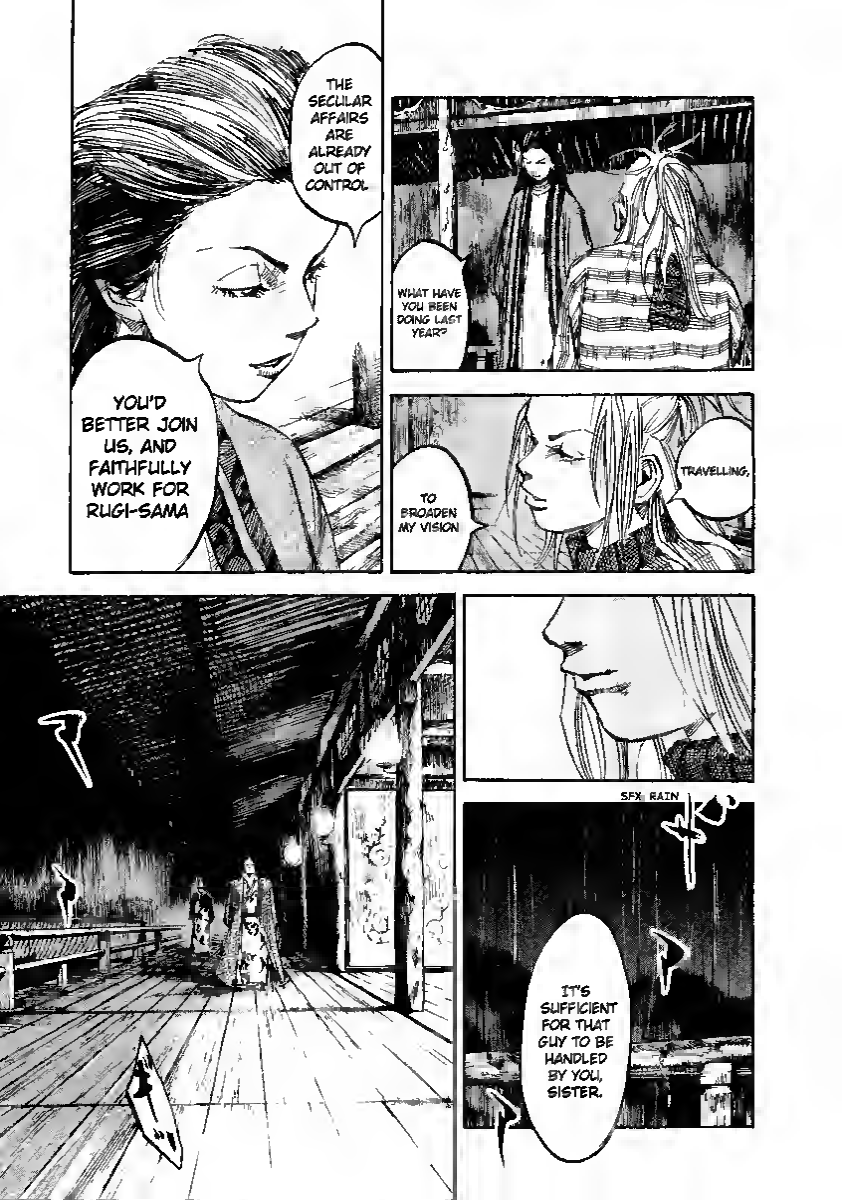
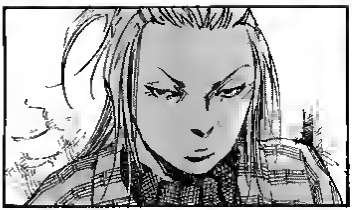
SFX SPLASH
MAGNIFI-
CENT
...
THIS
COUNTRY IS
SERIOUSLY
CRAVING FOR
CHANGE.

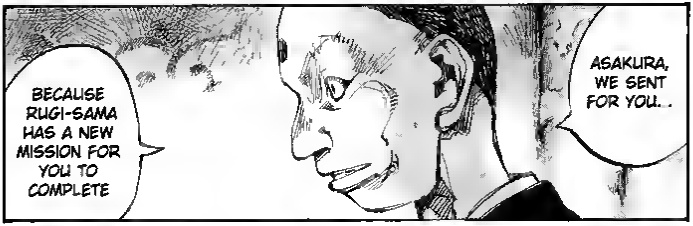
SFX RAINING

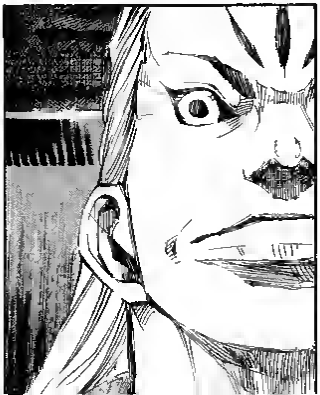

KYOZOU,
I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT EXPRESSION FOR A LONG TIME

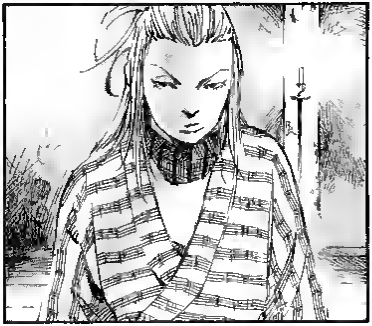

THE SECULAR AFFAIRS ARE ALREADY OUT OF CONTROL
YOU'D BETTER JOIN US, AND FAITHFULLY WORK FOR RUGI-SAMA
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING LAST YEAR?
TRAVELLING,
TO BROADEN MY VISION
SFX: RAIN
IT'S SUFFICIENT FOR THAT GUY TO BE HANDLED BY YOU, SISTER.



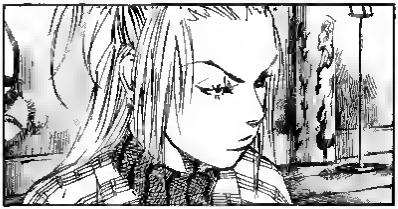
SHIZUKU, RETREAT FOR NOW.
YES.


ASAKURA, WE SENT FOR YOU. .
BECAUSE RUGI-SAMA HAS A NEW MISSION FOR YOU TO COMPLETE

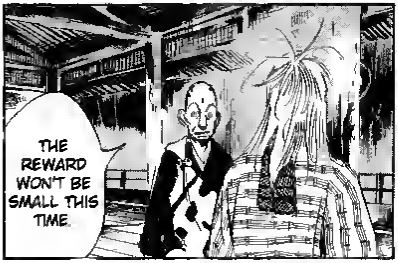




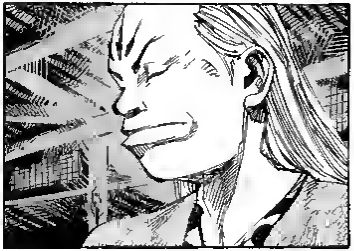
HAVE YOU HEARD OF TAIRO II'S ASSASSINATION?
HUH?
SO, WHICH SIDE WILL BYAKUSHIN SUBMIT TO?
THIS COUNTRY WILL SPLIT IN TWO!
SFX RAINING

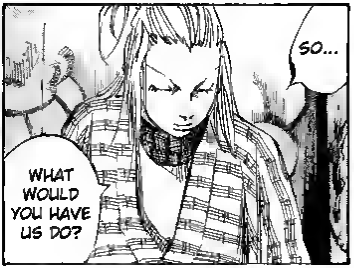


WE WANT YOU TO LEAD A GROUP OF SAMURAI INTO THE SECULAR DOMAIN.
YOU CAN CHOOSE WHOM TO GO WITH.


THE REWARD WON'T BE SMALL THIS TIME.

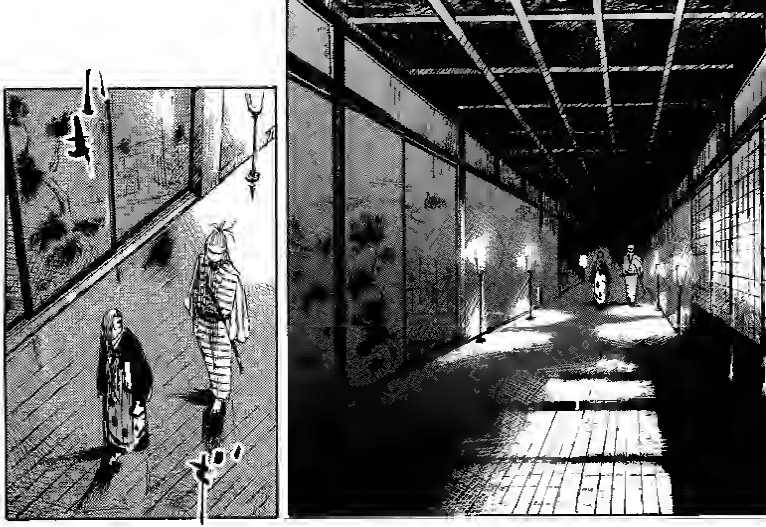
ANNIHILATE THE FOREIGNERS AND THE NEGOTIATORS.

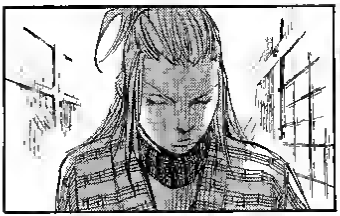


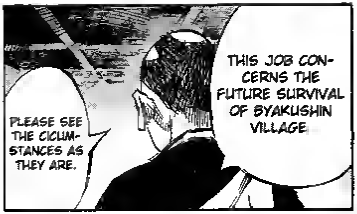

SO...
WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE US DO?

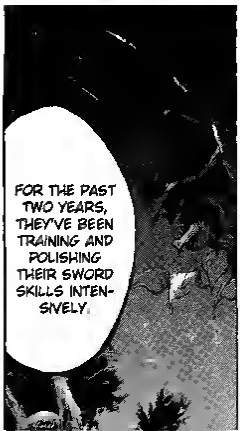
YO.
BUT AREN'T THE TOKUGAWA THE MAIN BUYERS OF THOSE MEDICINAL POWDERS?
HA HA HA.
THEN WE "EXPEL THE BARBARIANS"?
SFX RAINING
AND YOU STILL WANT TO SELL THEM OUT...
AND COMPLETELY ERADICATE THEM?
OUR ERA REQUIRES IT.

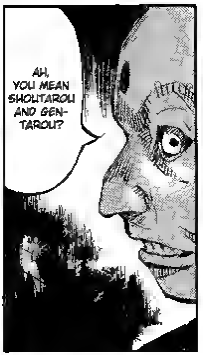
THE HEAVEN'S DESCENDANTS SAY
Chaos will arrive!






THIS JOB CONCERNS THE FUTURE SURVIVAL OF BYAKUSHIN VILLAGE.
PLEASE SEE THE CICUMSTANCES AS THEY ARE.


FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, THEY'VE BEEN TRAINING AND POLISHING THEIR SWORD SKILLS INTENSIVELY.


AH, YOU MEAN SHOUTAROU AND GENTAROU?

RIGHT, KAMO-SAN.
HOW ARE THE TWO YUKUMURA BROTHERS DOING?

THEY HAVE BECOME REMARKABLE BYAKUSHIN-SHISHI.
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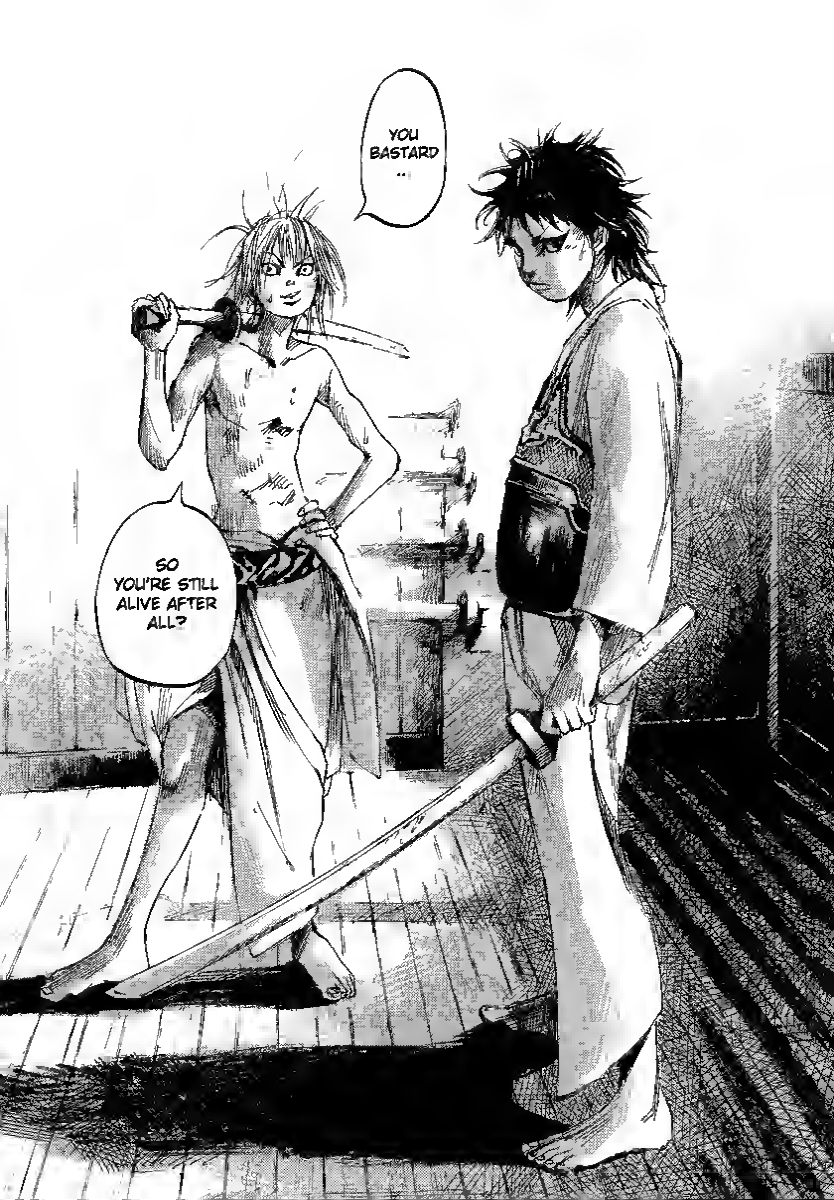
ㅅㅏ!
HEY.
LONG TIME NO SEE.
AH!
AAH!


YOU BASTARD ...
SO YOU'RE STILL ALIVE AFTER ALL?

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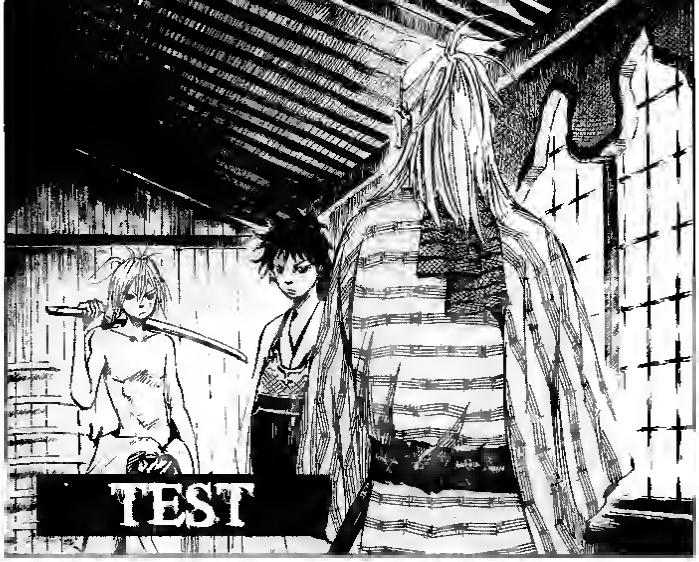
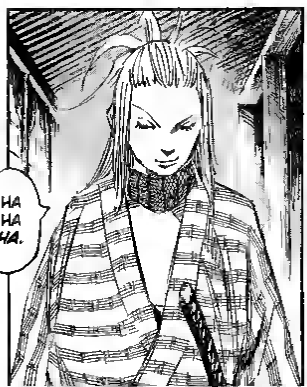

TEST

I HAVEN'T BEEN GONE LONG BUT YOU'VE ALREADY GROWN SO MUCH.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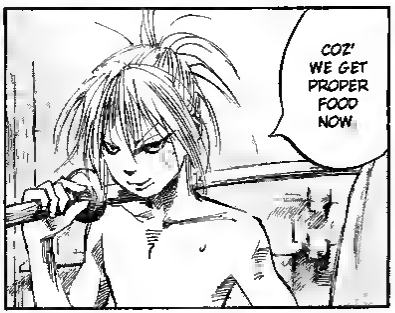
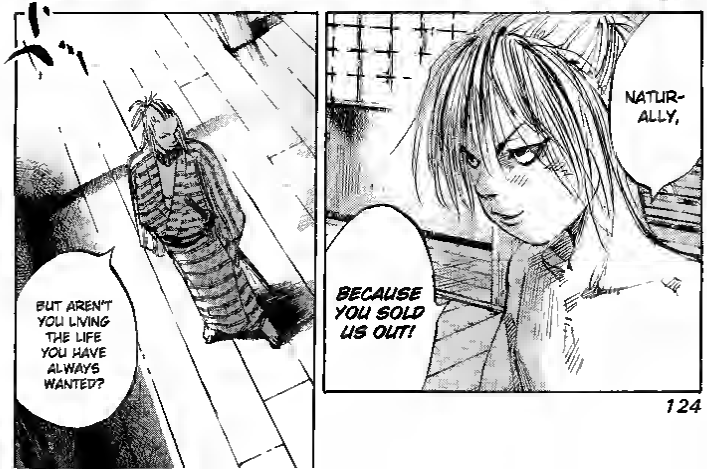
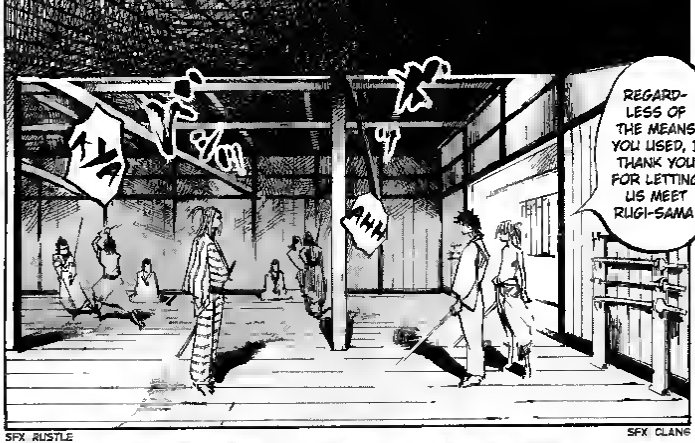

COZ' WE GET PROPER FOOD NOW.

WHAT DID YOU COME FOR?

WHAT FOR?
YOU AREN'T STILL ANGRY ABOUT LAST TIME?
!
SFX: CLINK


BUT AREN'T YOU LIVING THE LIFE YOU HAVE ALWAYS WANTED?
BECAUSE YOU SOLD US OUT!
NATURALLY,

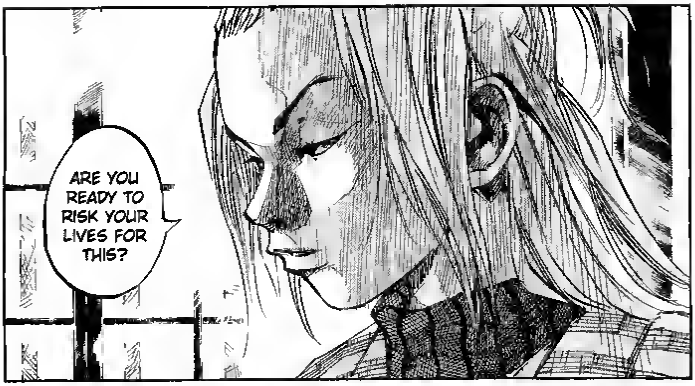
YOU ARE BOTH FED WELL,
AND YOU GET TO TRAIN YOUR SWORDSMANSHIP
HEH.
THANKS TO YOU WE'VE GROWN STRONG
VERY DEPEND-ABLE INDEED
IF WE HADN'T MET YOU, WE'D HAVE STARVED TO DEATH BY THE ROADSIDE



* This is a slogan Rugi-sama propagates. It means

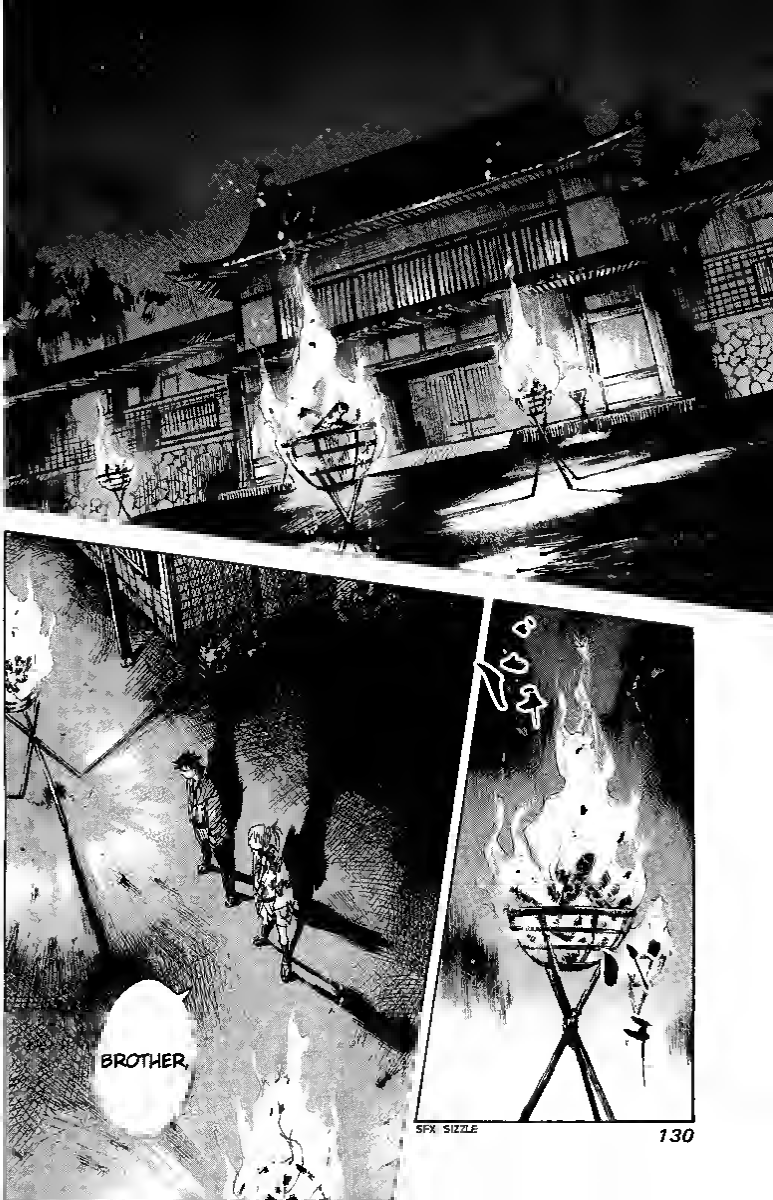
In this world humans consume poisons and this makes their bodies filthy and foul. Only when one gets rid of his inner poisons and lead a life according to the rules of nature does one attain the ultimate happiness. Which is called "The Realm of the Pure Heart"

CHE.
GOOD.
ACTUALLY YOUR HONOURABLE RUGI-SAMA HAS A MISSION FOR US.
IT'S COMBAT.
RUGI SAMA !?


ARE YOU READY TO RISK YOUR LIVES FOR THIS?

LET'S CARRY OUT "GUDAN"!
WE ARE PREPARED.

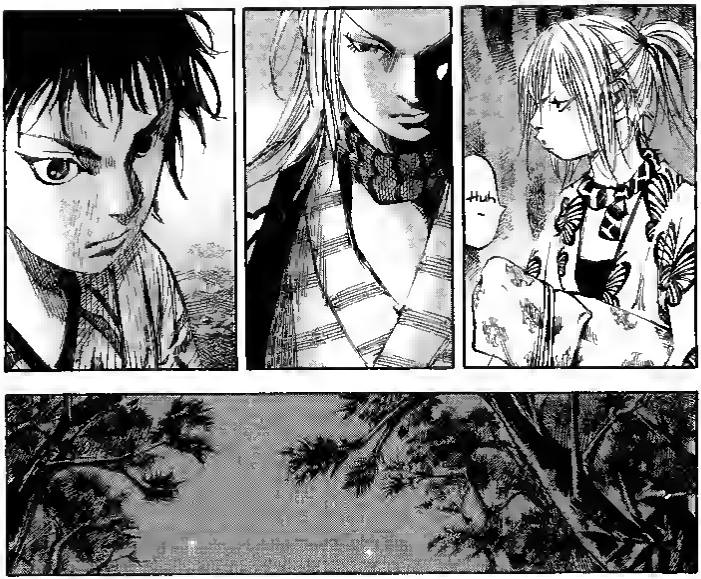
IN THAT CASE, TONIGHT.
I'LL TEST YOUR SKILLS.


BROTHER.
SFX: SIZZLE

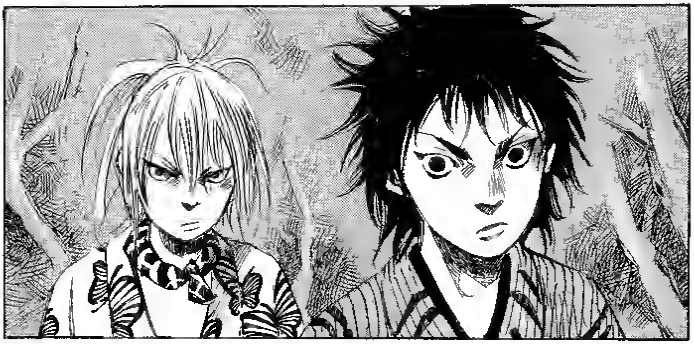
WE'RE FINALLY GOING TO BECOME SAMURAI
LETS DO OUR BEST ON THIS TASK.
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU
!
THESE LAST TWO YEARS WE HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN ONE STEP OUTSIDE THIS GATE.

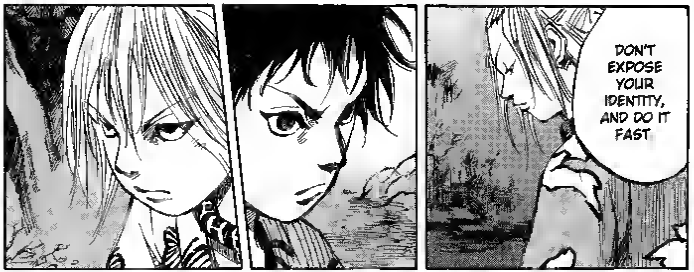
I WONDER WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

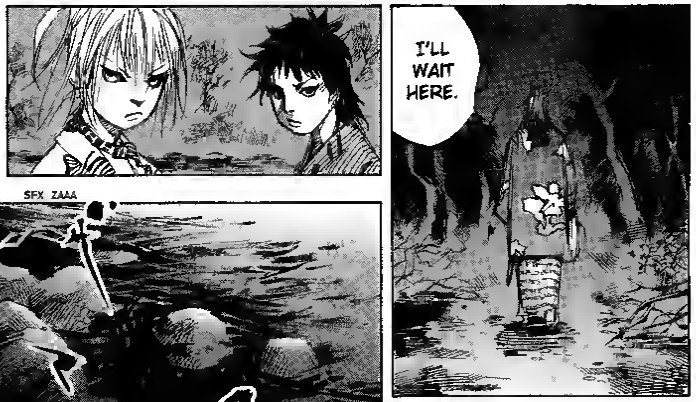
THERE ARE ONLY ROTTEN PEOPLE OUTSIDE ANYWAY.
LET'S GO.

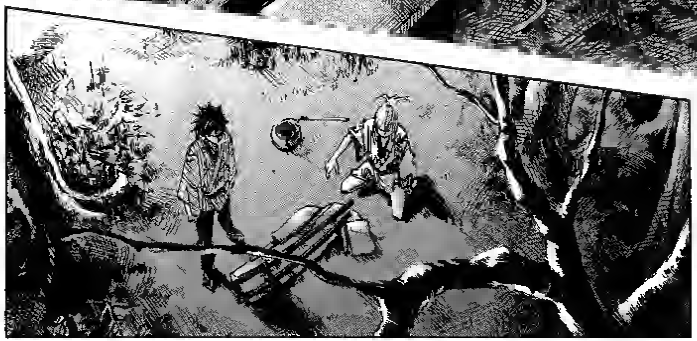

Huh

A MAN NAMED YAMAZAKI HIKOSABURO STOLE MONEY FROM DEALING WITH THE POWDER AND ESCAPED BY-AKUSHIN VILLAGE HE IS HIDING HERE.
BRING BACK HIS HEAD.

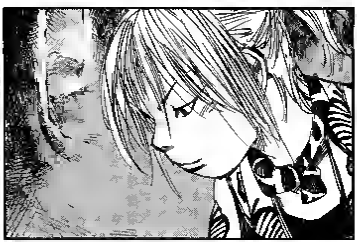



DON'T EXPOSE YOUR IDENTITY, AND DO IT FAST

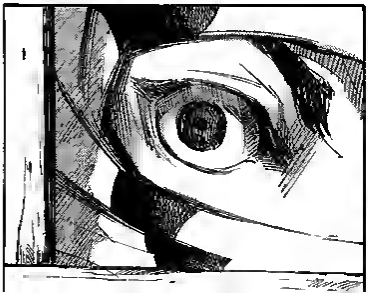

I'LL WAIT HERE.
SFX ZAAA



WE HAVE TO DO IT WITHOUT HESITATION



ANYWAY, HE'S A TRAITOR, RIGHT...?
SO LET'S GET RID OF HIM QUICKLY.
SFX: TAP TAP
SFX: CLINK
KILL HIM!



WHY ARE THERE...

A WOMAN AND A CHILD...?

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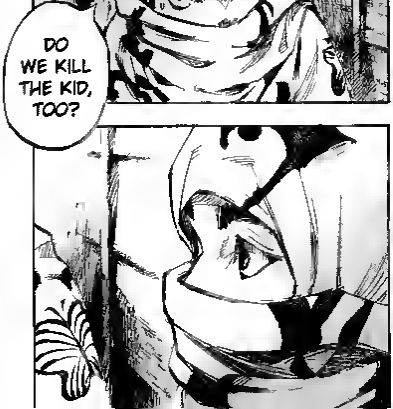
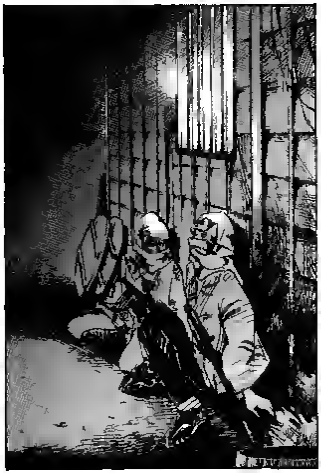
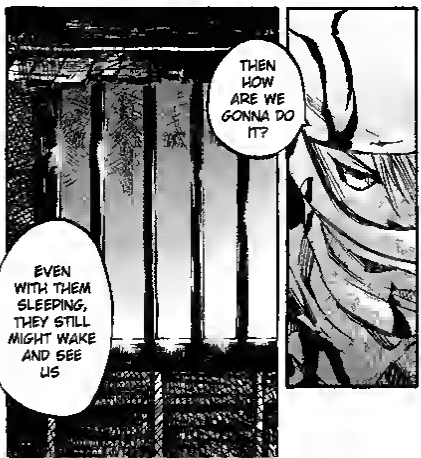
UNSHEATHED SWORDS

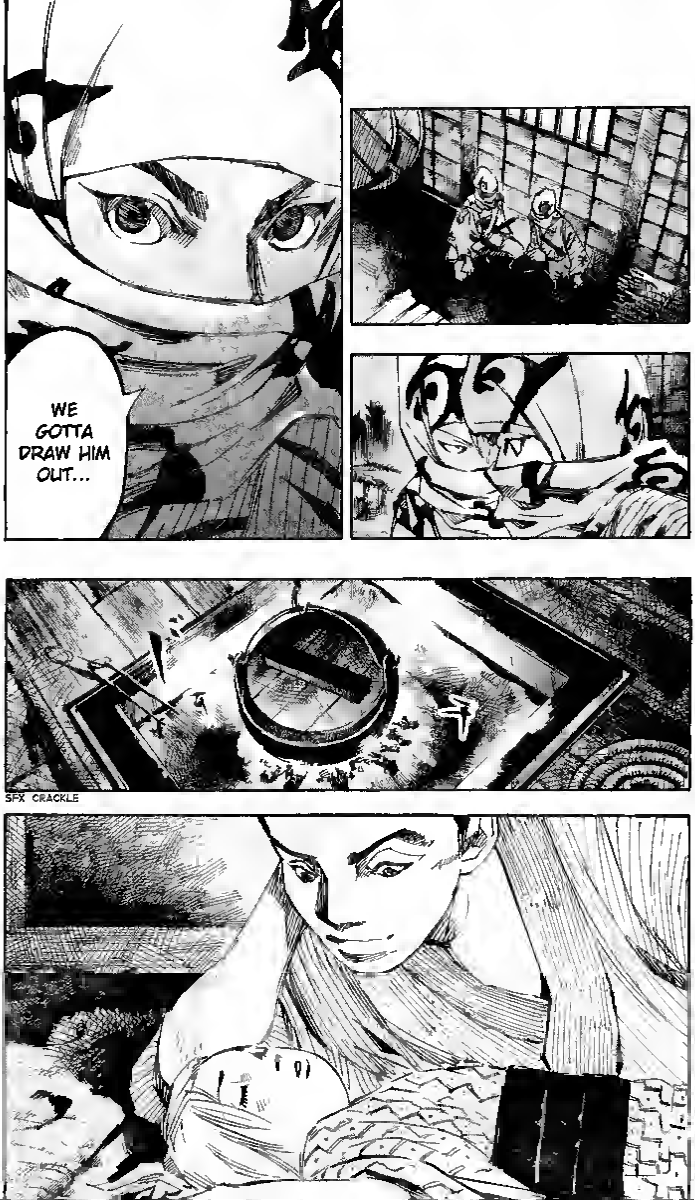
BROTHER,


DO WE KILL THE KID, TOO?

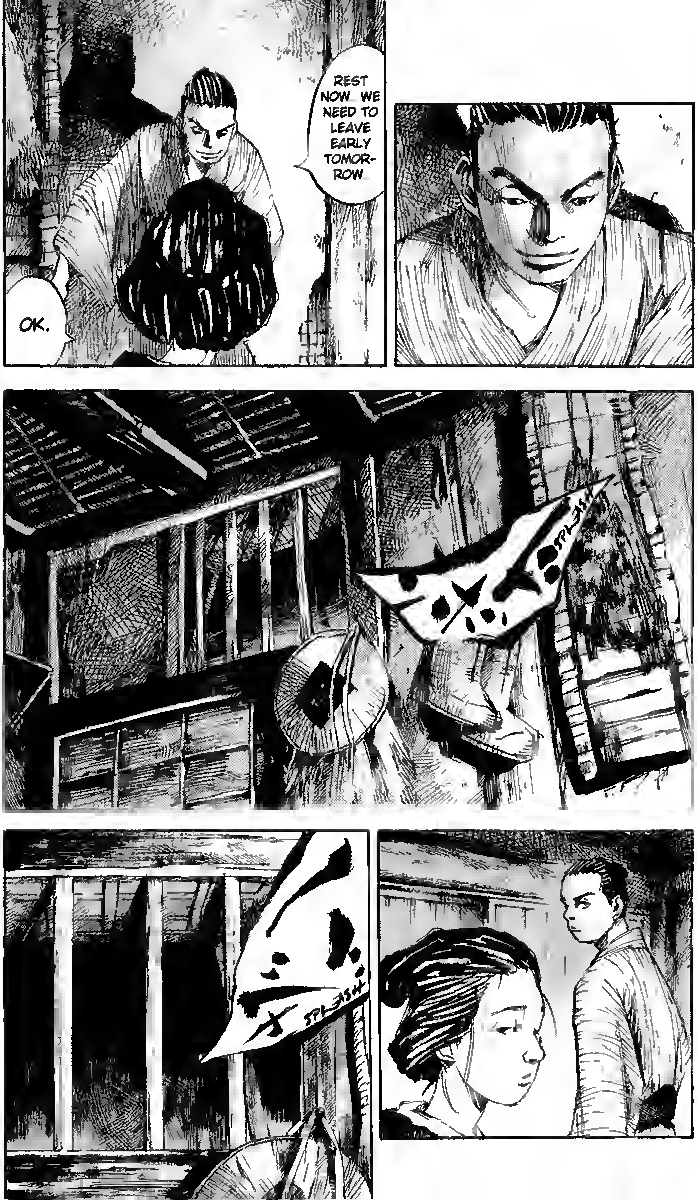


NO...


EVEN WITH THEM SLEEPING, THEY STILL MIGHT WAKE AND SEE US
THEN HOW ARE WE GONNA DO IT?
THE KID'S INNOCENT.
WE ONLY HAVE TO KILL HIKOSABURO.


WE GOTTA DRAW HIM OUT...
SFX CRACKLE

REN-SAN.
NOTHING BEATS A KID'S SLEEPING FACE.
UTTERLY INNOCENT,
NO SINS ON HER SOUL.
AS PEOPLE GROW UP THEY LOSE THAT BEAUTY.
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
IT'S UNUSUAL THAT YOU CAN SAY THAT ABOUT A CHILD THAT'S NOT YOUR OWN.


REST NOW. WE NEED TO LEAVE EARLY TOMOR-ROW.
OK.
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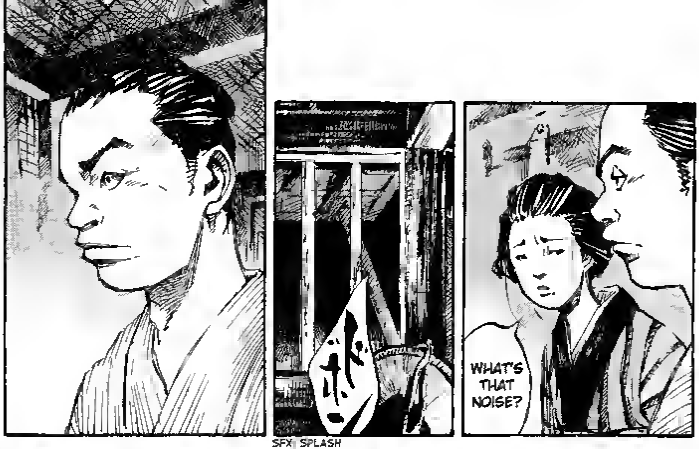
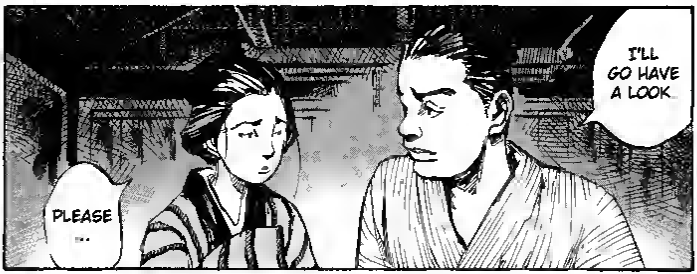
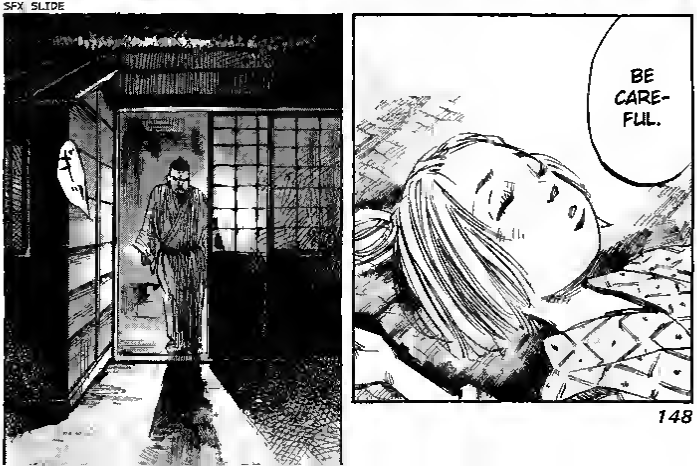

WHAT'S THAT NOISE?
SFX: SPLASH


I'LL GO HAVE A LOOK
PLEASE...

SFX: SLIDE


BE CARE-FUL.

SFX: RUSTLE
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
SFX: CRACKLE

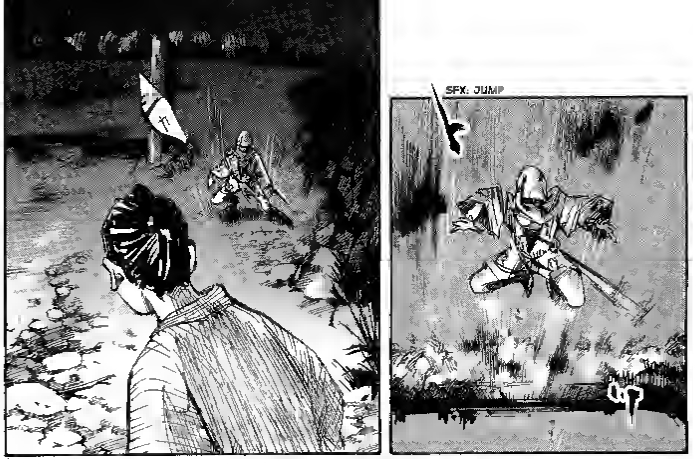
SFX
SPLASH

SFX SPLASH
ARE YOU A PURSUER FROM BY-AKUSHIN?
CORRECT
SUCH A YOUNG VOICE...
DID THEY SEND A KID?

SFX
STEP

YAMAZAKI HIKOSABURO,

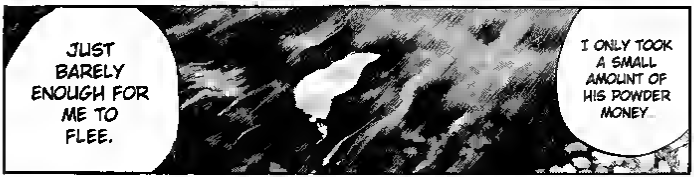
FOR THE CRIME OF STEALING AND ESCAPING,
PREPARE TO DIE.



SFX THUD

SFX CRACKLE

A... ACTUALLY...


I ONLY TOOK A SMALL AMOUNT OF HIS POWDER MONEY...
JUST BARELY ENOUGH FOR ME TO FLEE.

YOU'RE ONLY ONE PERSON SHORT. PLENTY OF PEOPLE COULD REPLACE ME BACK THERE.

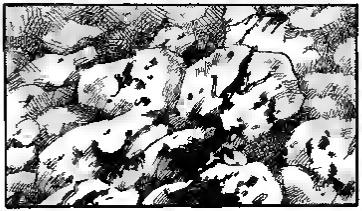
I BEG YOU...
JUST LET ME GO.
A WOMAN AND A CHILD DEPEND ON ME.

WE WON'T

YOU KNOW, THIS POWDER IS SOLD AS HERBAL MEDICINE, BUT IT'S IN FACT MADE FROM THE LIVER OF HUMANS!
WE AREN'T GOING TO DISOBEY OUR ORDERS.

I CAN'T TAKE SELLING THAT BLOODY THING ANYMORE.
N... NO WAY...
SFX SLIDE
SFX CLICK
SORRY.

DON'T YOU REALIZE THAT YOU'RE JUST BEING BRAINWASHED BY RUGI?
SFX SHIIING
SFX WHOOOSH



FOR YOU.
PERFECT.
WE'LL LEAVE THE VILLAGE IN TWO DAYS.

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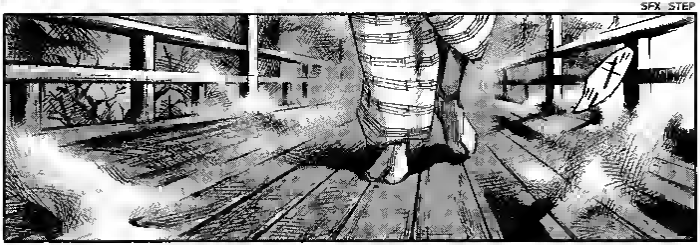
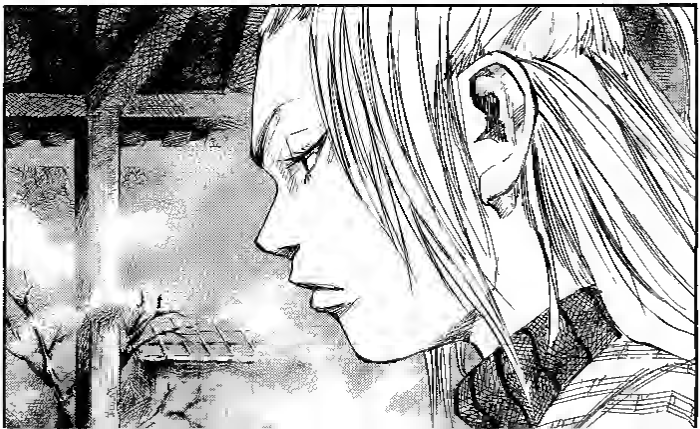
FORMING A SQUAD

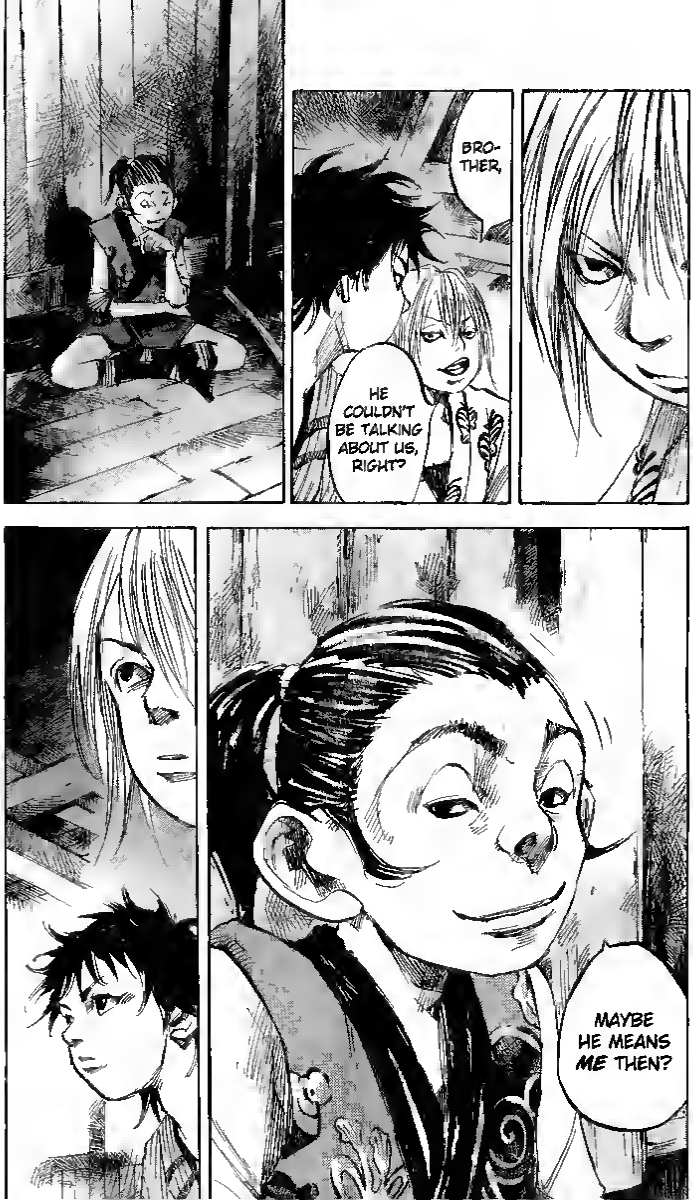
SIGN: BYAKUSHIN VILLAGE


SFX: STEP



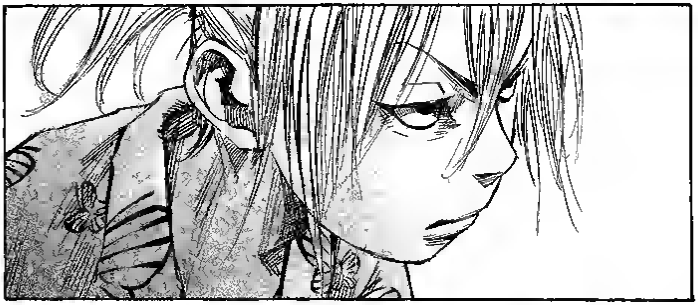
FIRST WE'LL HEAD FOR EDO.

EH?
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?
WE'RE NOT TAKING THESE BRATS ON AN IMPORTANT MISSION, ARE WE?


BRO-
THER,
HE COULDN'T BE TALKING ABOUT US, RIGHT?
MAYBE HE MEANS *ME* THEN?

YOU'RE ONLY GONNA BE AN ANNOY-ANCE

NAH, YOU TWO. I'M TALKIN' ABOUT YOU TWO



GEN, KNOCK IT OFF.

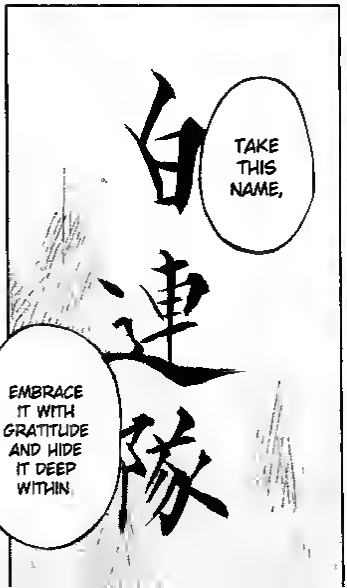
THUD
THUD
GEN!
SFX GRIP
DANG-
ING

SLASH!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
RUGI-SAMA DE-CREED WE NOT CROSS SWORDS HERE.
MAYBE,
IT'D BE BETTER TO KILL YOU RIGHT HERE
HEH,
SUCH SPIRIT IS A GOOD THING TO HAVE.
INOU-SAN,
PLEASE FORGIVE OUR IMPERTI-NENCE!

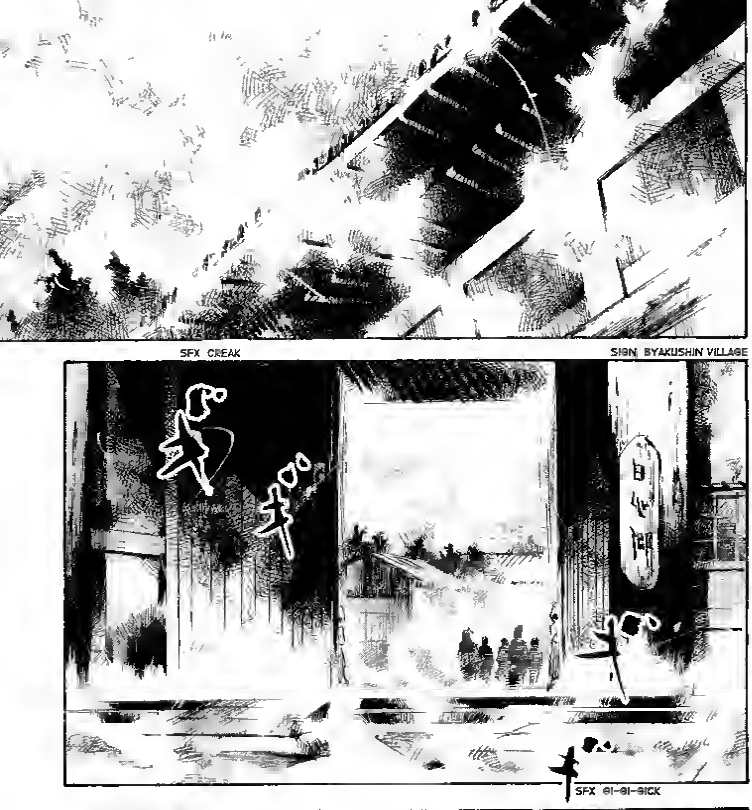
RUGI-SAMA HAS ALREADY CHOSEN A NAME FOR OUR SQUAD.
IT MAKES SENSE YOU CHOOSE THEM.
DOESN'T IT, ASAKURA-SAN?
SFX: PAT

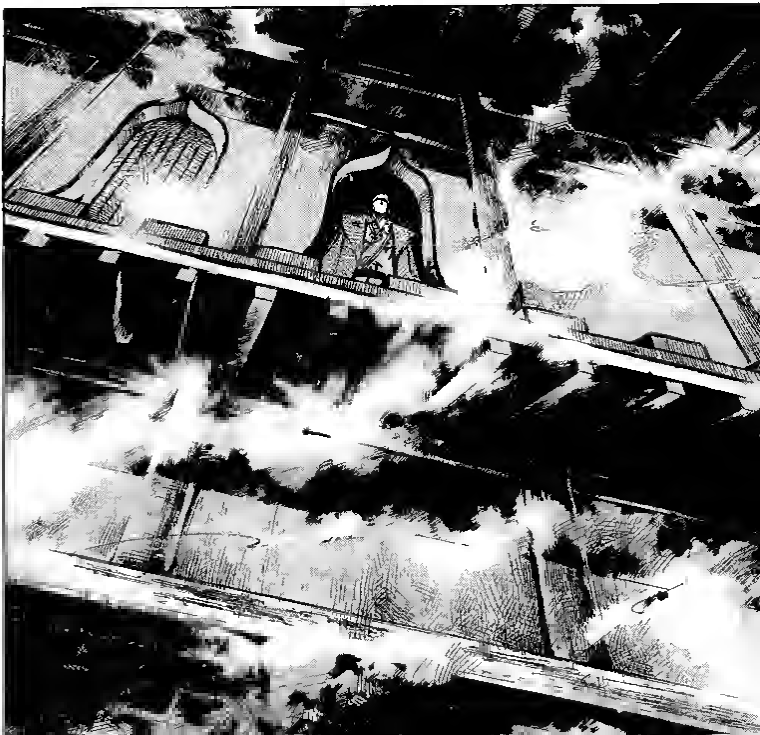
The White Lotus*
Byakurentai
Shiokura Kyosen
Inou Kenshiro
Sanejima Tetsuo
Yukimura Shintaro
Yukimura Gentaro
MOZU
*NOTE: the actual name of the group in its Japanese form is "Byakurentai" as you can see on the scroll, but from here on it will be translated as its english name "The White Lotus" for easier understanding and reference

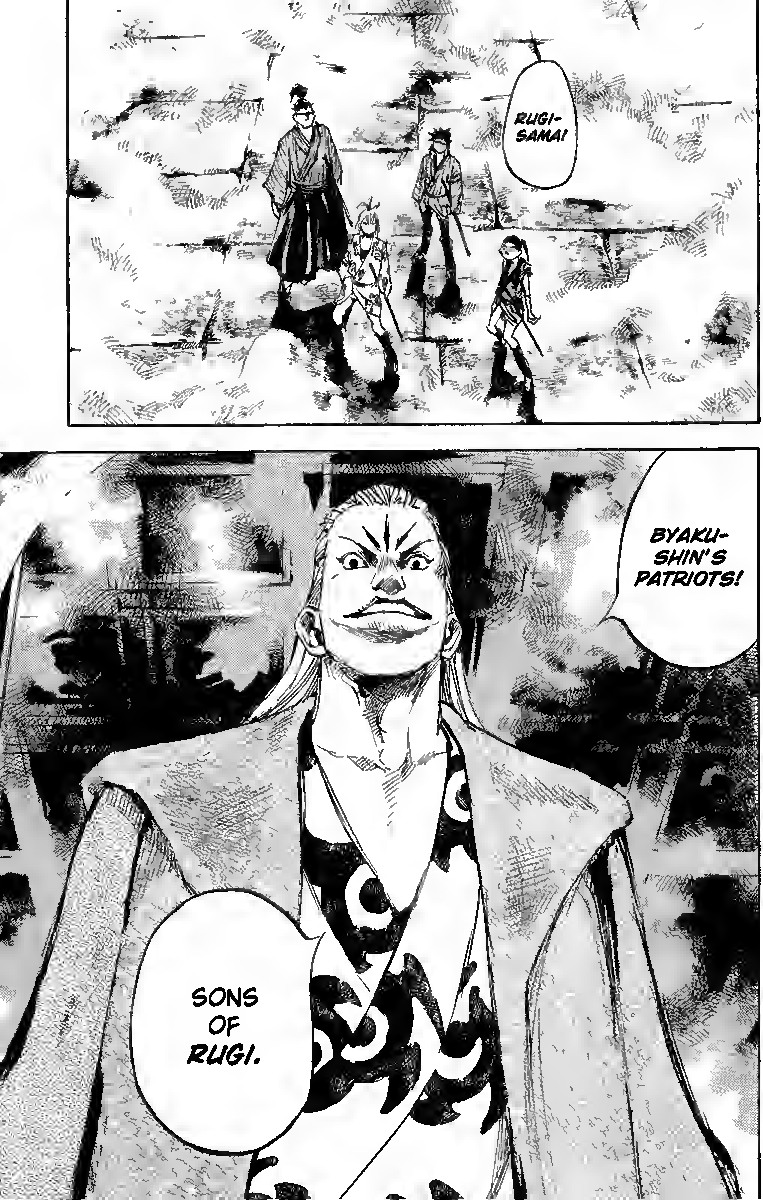

白連隊
TAKE THIS NAME,
EMBRACE IT WITH GRATITUDE AND HIDE IT DEEP WITHIN.

BUT YOU MUST NEVER REFER TO YOURSELF AS "THE WHITE LOTUS"
INSTEAD WE'LL CONCEAL OUR TIES TO BYAKUSHIN AND MOVE SECRETLY.

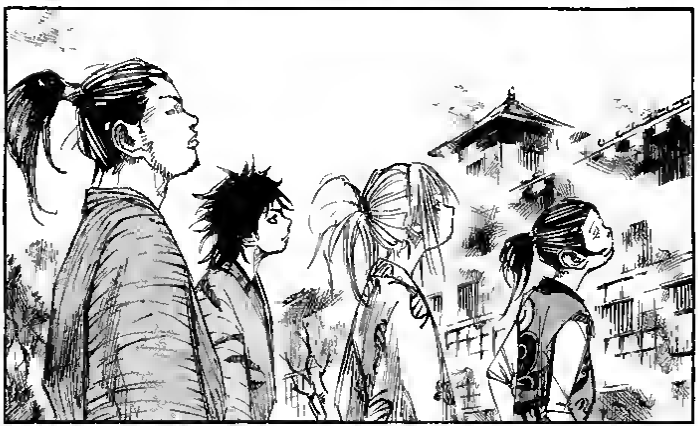
The White Lotus

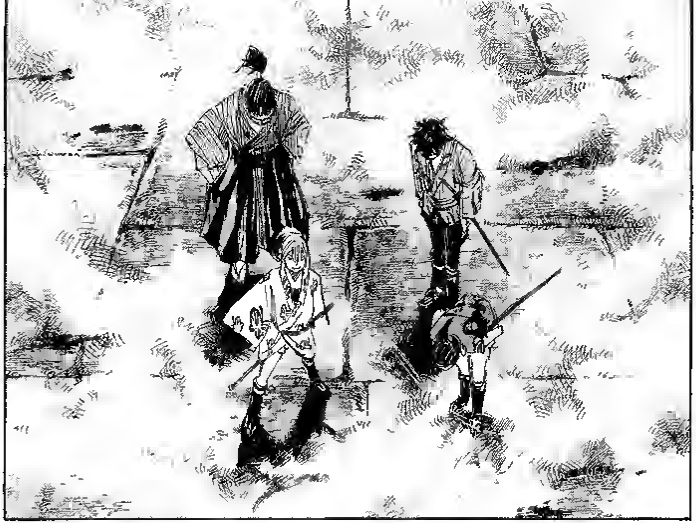

SFX CREAK
SIGN BYAKUSHIN VILLAGE
SFX GI-GI-GICK
HAVE A GOOD LOOK
IT MIGHT BE THE LAST TIME YOU STEP THROUGH THAT GATE

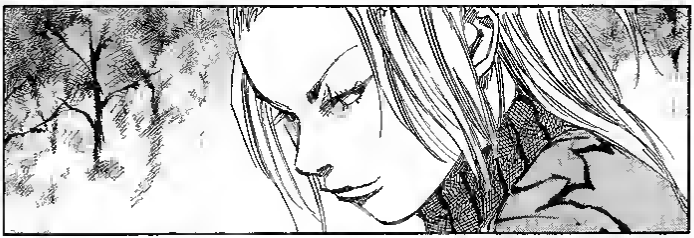



RUGI-SAMA!
BYAKU-SHIN'S PATRIOTS!
SONS OF RUGI.

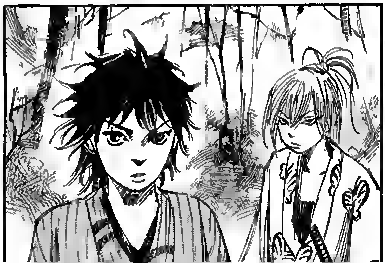
CARRY OUT GUIDAN.







BY THE WAY, WASN'T THERE A SIXTH NAME ON THAT SCROLL?
YEAH



HAS BEEN FOLLOWING US ALL ALONG
THAT ONE...
SFX: RUSTLE
MOZU... SHOW YOUR-SELF.

YO...
SO, WHAT'S MY MISSION?

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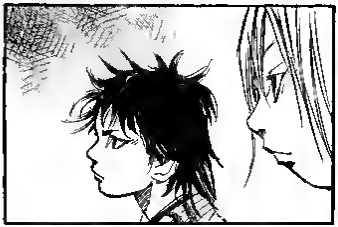
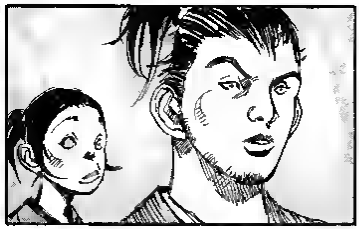
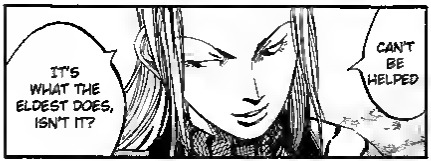
INTO EDO

YOUR JOB IS TO ENTERTAIN THESE GUYS.



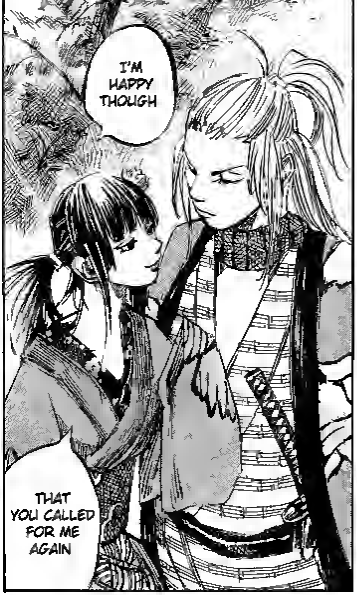


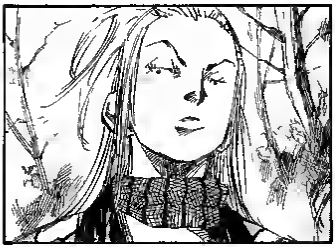

IT'S WHAT THE ELDEST DOES, ISN'T IT?
CAN'T BE HELPED

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

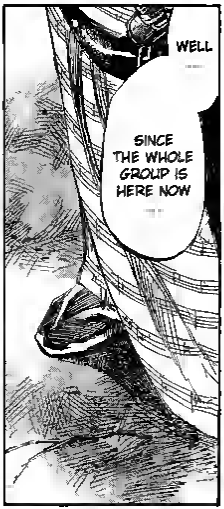
PLEASE BE GOOD TO ME,
BROTHERS OF BYAKU-SHIN.
KYOZOU-SAN, YOU'RE EXAGGERATING!
YOU ARE STILL ALIVE!
DON'T UNDERESTIMATE HER.
NO ONE WHO GOT TOO CLOSE TO HER STILL LIVES.

HE HE


I'M HAPPY THOUGH
THAT YOU CALLED FOR ME AGAIN



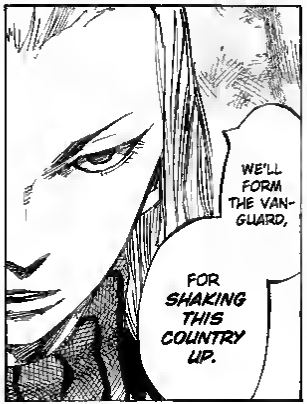
YOU LIVED IN THE VILLAGE UNKNOWINGLY, BUT THE COUNTRY'S GOTTEN UNSTABLE
CATASTROPHES, LIKE MAJOR EARTHQUAKES, PLAGUES, AND BLACK SHIPS KEEP COMING.


WELL
SINCE THE WHOLE GROUP IS HERE NOW

AND SO,
IS WAR.
HOWEVER, HIS POWER AT READING THE FLOW OF THINGS IS ONE-OF-A-KIND.
TO TELL THE TRUTH,
I NEVER SYMPATHIZED WITH THE BYAKUSHIN VILLAGE OR RUGI-SAMA.
AND SO WE STATED OUR TARGET BE,
TO SEVER ALL CONNECTIONS TO THE TOKUGAWA SHOGUNATE.

SO BASIC-ALLY,
WE'RE GOING TO RULE THE COUNTRY.
SO THAT'S WHY THERE'S SO MUCH SECRECY?
BUT,
CAN WE BETRAY THE SHOGU-NATE THAT EASILY?
WHAT,
DID RUGI-SAMA SAY?
DESTROY,
THE SHOGU-NATE.

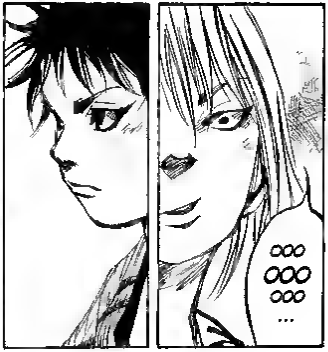
NO WAY...


WE'LL FORM THE VANGUARD,
FOR SHAKING THIS COUNTRY UP.

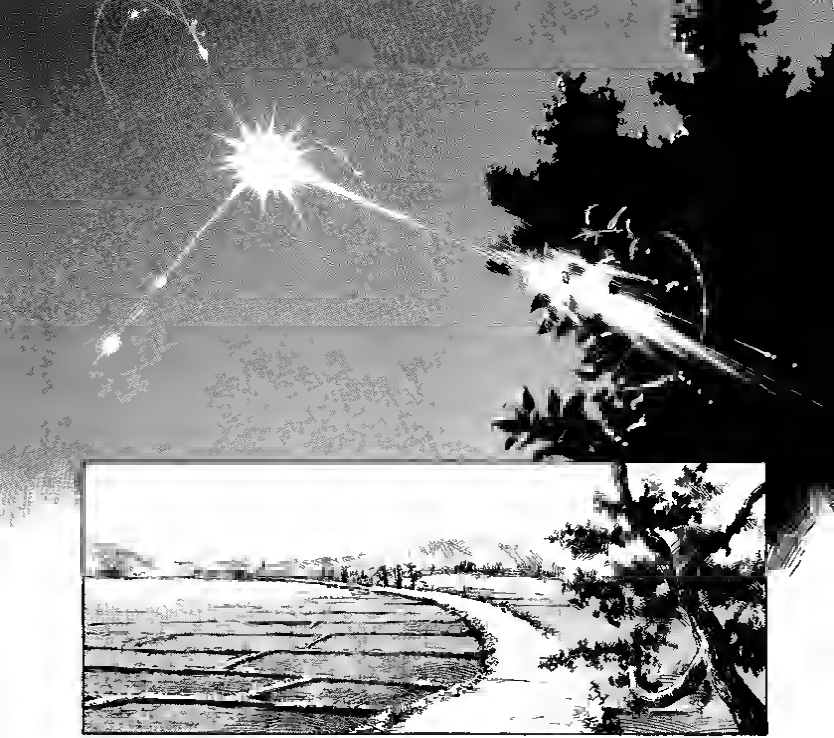
I DON'T BELIEVE RUGI-SAMA'S PREDICTION WAS MISTAKEN

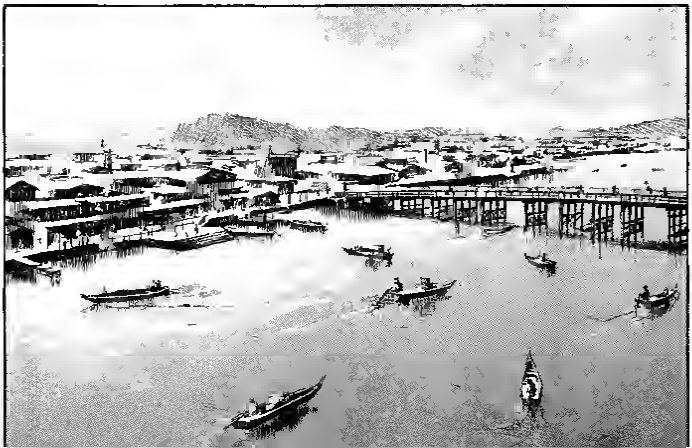
THE SHOGUNATE WHO RULED FOR OVER 300 YEARS REALLY COULD FALL

RUGI-SAMA'S ORDER IS TO,
OVER-THROW THE SHOGUNATE.

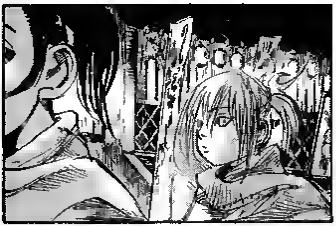

OOO OOO OOO ...

EXACTLY.
WIN OR LOSE... WE'LL STAKE OUR LIVES ON THIS.

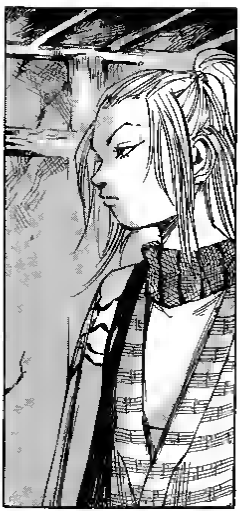




YEAH.
THERE'S EDO, BROTHER.
CONCEAL YOUR WEAPONS AND PRETEND TO BE STREET PERFORMERS.
FROM HERE, WE'LL JOIN UP WITH THE MITO CLAN THAT KILLED TAIRO II

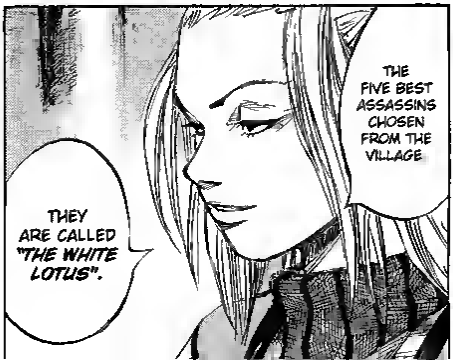


SFX CREAK

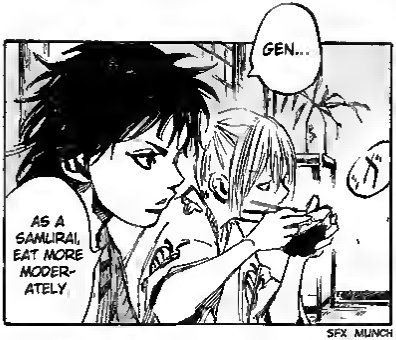


I AM KAWABATA DAIGO!
WELL... WELL- WELCOME!
I'M ASAKURA.
YOU MUST BE TIRED YOUR MEAL WILL BE PREPARED IMMEDI-ATELY!
!
IS EVERYONE STAYING HERE FROM THE MITO CLAN?
AZA-SAMA, WORRY NOT!

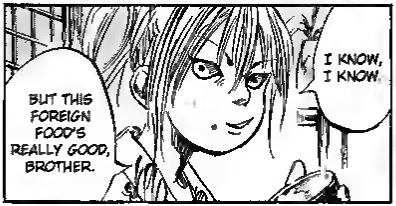
THOSE KIDS ARE...?

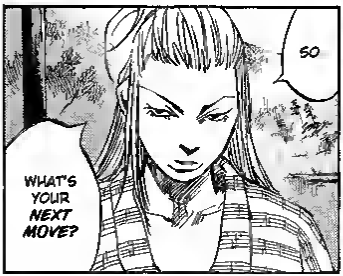

THE FIVE BEST ASSASSINS CHOSEN FROM THE VILLAGE
THEY ARE CALLED "THE WHITE LOTUS".

FWA
AHA
AHA
AHA!
YO.
Even a woman...
PLEA-
SURE.
SEEING YOU KIDS FIGHTING FOR THE SAME IDEALS REALLY FILLS ME WITH COURAGE.
YOU GUYS ARE EXPELLED PATRIOTS, TOO!
SAKE! LET US HAVE SAKE!
YES SIR!


GEN...
AS A SAMURAI, EAT MORE MODERATELY.

SFX MUNCH


I KNOW, I KNOW.
BUT THIS FOREIGN FOOD'S REALLY GOOD, BROTHER.


SO
WHAT'S YOUR NEXT MOVE?

LISTEN AND PREPARE TO BE SURPRISED.
KAWABATA'S HERE?
YEAH.

WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO? KILL HIM?

YES, WE'LL GIVE THE PUBLIC HIS HEAD.

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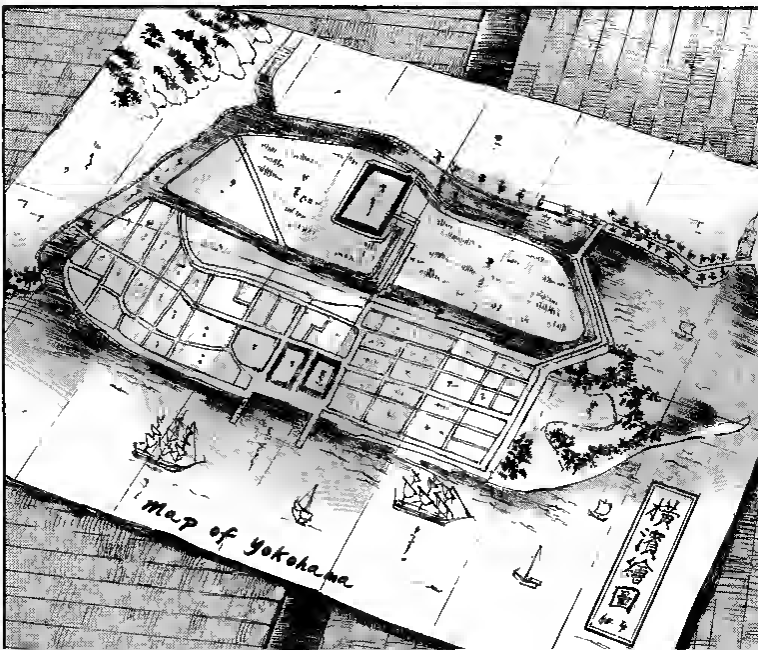
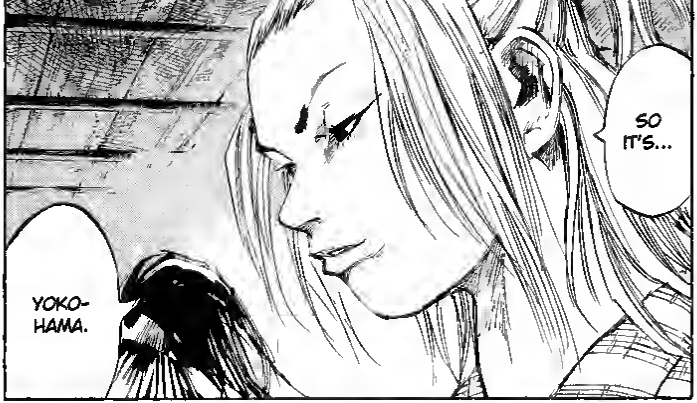
FIRST
BATTLE

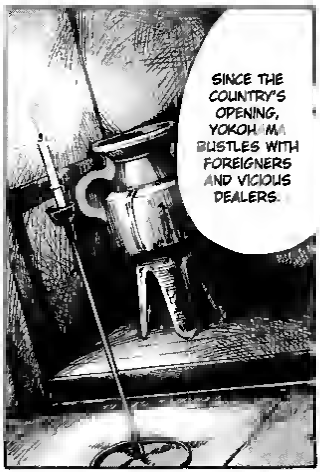
IT'LL BE HERE


Map of Yokohama
横濱繪圖


SO IT'S...
YOKO-HAMA.

YES.

WITH THE SHOGUNATE'S FRAIL POWER, THEY'RE LET TO DO MISCHIEF AS THEY PLEASE


SINCE THE COUNTRY'S OPENING, YOKOHAMA BUSTLES WITH FOREIGNERS AND VICIOUS DEALERS.

THERE'RE EVEN JAPANESE WHO DRAW PROFIT FROM THE EXPLOIT-ATION

YOKOHAMA TURNED INTO A BREEDING GROUND FOR TRAITORS AND OUTLAWS.
NOW, IF WE SWEPT THIS PLACE,
THE SHOGUNATE'S PRESTIGE WOULD BE SHATTERED.

WHEN DO WE STRIKE?
TOMOR-ROW NIGHT.
I'VE ALREADY INFORMED THE COMRADES HIDING NEAR YOKOHAMA.
UNDER-STOOD.

FINALLY
WHAT AWAITS US THERE?

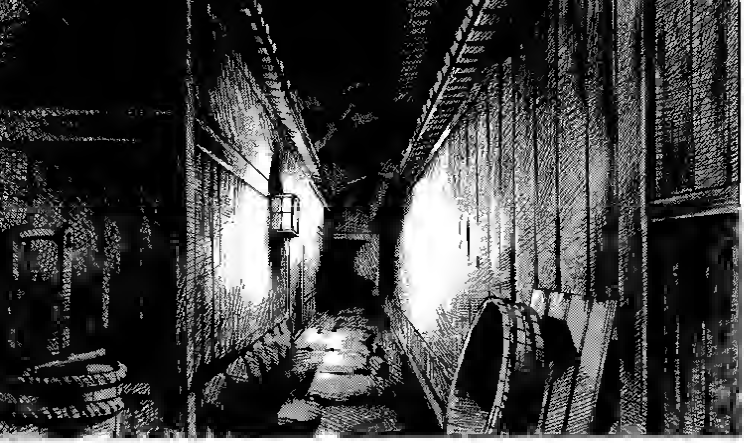
YOKO-HAMA ?

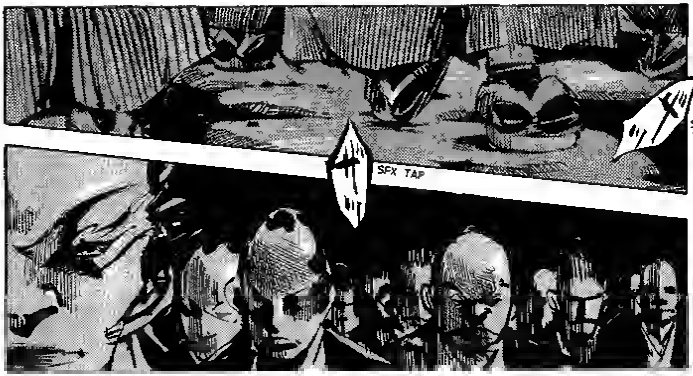
YEEE-AHH
KILLING FOREIGNERS SOUNDS FUN

SO TIIIRED,
I WANNA SLEEP

Hee Hee
SO CUTE.
BUT,
IT WAS SO TASTY.
I TOLD YOU TO EAT MODER-ATELY
ガラ
SFX SLIDE

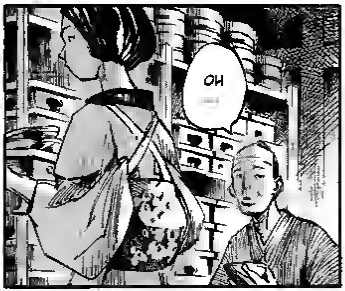
THIS ROOM PROVIDES NO ESCAPE ROUTE
IT'D BE TOO DANGEROUS FOR ALL OF US TO SLEEP HERE
LISTEN!
WE'LL STAND GUARD BY TWO TURNS.




SFX TAP
SFX TAP

ANYONE HERE?

WELCOME


OH

PLEASE FORGIVE THE BLOOD STAINS ON YOUR BEDDING
IS A KAWABATA FROM THE MITO CLAN STAYING HERE?
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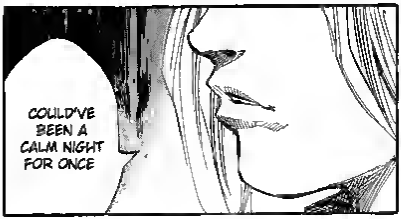
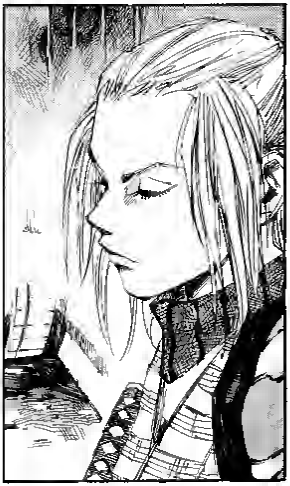
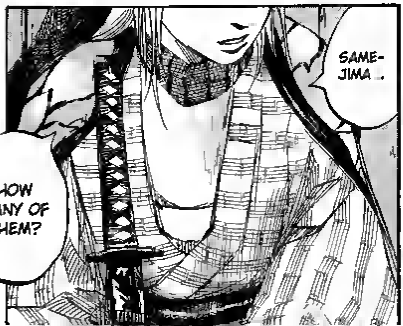
.....
SFX: VZZZT
WHAA ...

SFX STOMP STOMP

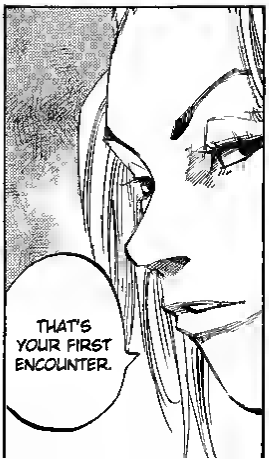
SFX RUSH

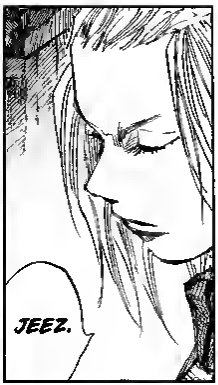

COULD'VE BEEN A CALM NIGHT FOR ONCE




SAME-JIMA..
HOW MANY OF THEM?

SIXTEEN
...


THAT'S YOUR FIRST ENCOUNTER.


JEEZ.

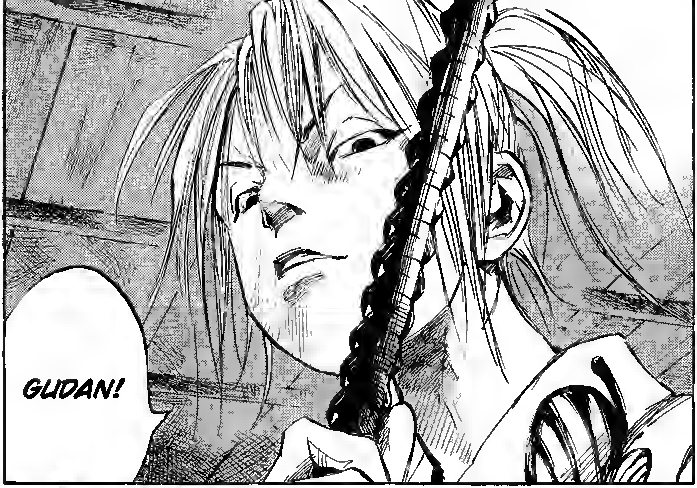
KILL
EVERY-
ONE OF
THEM

DIE!
AA AA AA AH!
SFX CLANG
HYAA!
SFX WHOOSH

SHOVE OFF NOW, BRAT!
!
SFX THUMP

GO
DIE!

SFX TOCK
YOU... LITTLE... PUNK...
SFX SPLUTTER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